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Festival of Trees light up mini mall



Photo by Dan Sanderson
Twenty-eight trees are on display at the Grayling Mini Mall for the Grayling Promotional Association's (GPA) Festival of Trees. This year's Festival of Trees includes two silent auction trees, one decorated by GPA members and the other decorated by Flowers by Josie. A tree, with gift certificates valued at \$540 to Grayling area businesses, is being raffled off. Boys and girls themed trees and bikes are also being raffled off during the Festival of Trees. The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce is holding its monthly coffee hour to give people a chance to view the Festival of Trees at 8:30 a.m. on Friday. The trees will be raffled off at noon on Sunday, Nov 18. Above, April Bertram, chairwoman of the Festival of Trees committee, places an ornament on the GPA's "Peppermint Twist" tree.

Area hunters education instructor honored

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

As many young hunters are heading out into the woods in hopes of bagging a buck for their first time, a Crawford County hunters education instructor has been honored for his dedication to youth.

Richard Kiessel was recognized by the Michigan Natural Resources Commission and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) as the 2007 Hunters Education Volunteer Instructor of the Year.

Kiessel has served as a hunters education instructor for 34 years. He first started teaching classes while he was a school teacher in Wayne County.

Kiessel is the volunteer instructor coordinator for Crawford, Oscoda and Roscommon counties. He has recruited more than 50 hunters education instructors, and has trained about 400 instructors over the last three years.

Kiessel oversees hunters education classes at the Houghton Lake Sportsman's Club, the Mio Moose Lodge, and has assisted with classes at the Grayling

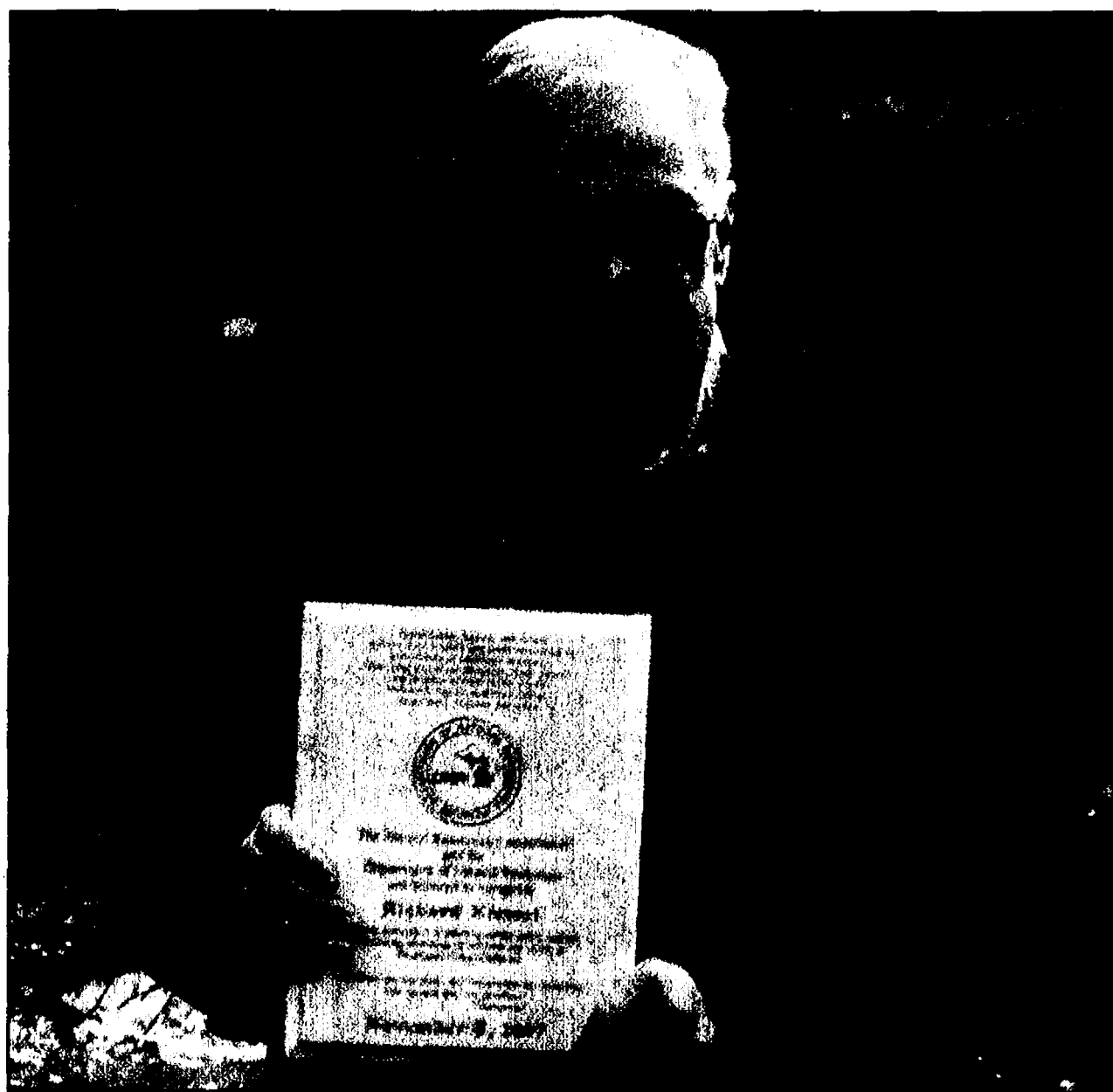


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Senior center move gathers support

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners endorsed a plan to allow the Commission on Aging to study the feasibility of moving to the Grayling Fish Hatchery building.

County Commissioners, at their regular meeting last week, passed a motion supporting plans to move the Commission on Aging offices and Senior Center to the Fish Hatchery building.

Built in the 1960s, the current senior center has 5,000 square feet of space. Ideally, the senior center needs about 7,000 square feet of space to provide its programs and services.

The Grayling Fish Hatchery building has 7,800 square feet of space.

Alice Snyder, the director of the Commission on Aging, said that there is a need for space due to the increased meals served to seniors and increased participation in senior center activities.

"We felt that it was good practice to start planning now rather than waiting until we're bursting at the seams to figure out what we're going to do," Snyder said.

Commission on Aging officials looked at the Knights of Columbus building, which has since been converted into a Dollar Castle store, when it was for sale. Officials have also considered expanding at its current location, but that has been ruled not to be a feasible option.

Under the current proposal,

the Commission on Aging and the Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee would both occupy the building. The Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee has been planning to establish a natural museum in the building.

"We certainly are not interested in taking over and ousting what they have planned for the building - we're trying to meld the two plans together," Snyder said.

The Commission on Aging has \$300,000 in a building fund, which could be used as a match to apply for grants to renovate the hatchery building.

The decor of the senior center would include displays and aquariums for the nature museum. Seniors would be available to staff the museum and a gift shop that would serve the museum and the senior center.

The Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee has obtained federal grants, used to paint the hatchery building and repair the roof, in recent years.

Unless a large amount of funds come from a donor, fish hatchery officials said it will take several years for them to achieve their goals.

"I think that an opportunity to scale things back and to utilize the building will serve the people of the county quite well," said Bruce Patrick, chairman of the Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee.

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Animal Shelter fund named in memory of Thor

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A fund, earmarked to help with veterinary expenses at the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter, has been named in honor of a dog who captured headlines in an animal neglect case earlier this year.

"Thor's Fund," which is kept by the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter to help animals in need of medical attention, was named in honor of the yellow lab that was in the center of an animal abuse and neglect case.

Thor was found on Jan. 11, emaciated in a carport where Lawrence Baumgart's mother, Judith Baumgart, lives on Stephan Bridge Road. The dog was tied to a golf cart with a nylon strap.

Veterinarians said that Thor was half his normal weight and his ribs were clearly visible due to lack of muscle mass.

Baumgart, of Roscommon, was found guilty of animal cruelty by a jury in June.

Crawford County District Court Judge Monte Burmeister ordered Baumgart, 46, to serve 30 days in the Crawford County Jail. He was also ordered to pay \$4,203.83 in court costs, fines and restitution, and perform 200

hours of community service at area animal shelters, while serving two years of probation.

Cheryl Postma, director of the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter, had been caring for Thor at her home since he was discovered by Gail Foguth, the animal control officer for Crawford County.

Many people had made donations to help pay for Thor's veterinary care and followed the case, which drew national interest.

Grayling High School graduate Christopher Wright, the author of the American Chillers and Michigan Chillers children's books, documented the case involving Thor on a web site called www.thorswarriors.com. He is actively seeking to have Baumgart charged for the neglect of six other labs in Roscommon County.

Thor had developed congestive heart disease in recent months.

Rather than put Thor through risky treatment, Postma opted to let Thor live out the rest of his days peacefully. She promised Thor and herself that he would not suffer like he did in the past. When his condition worsened to

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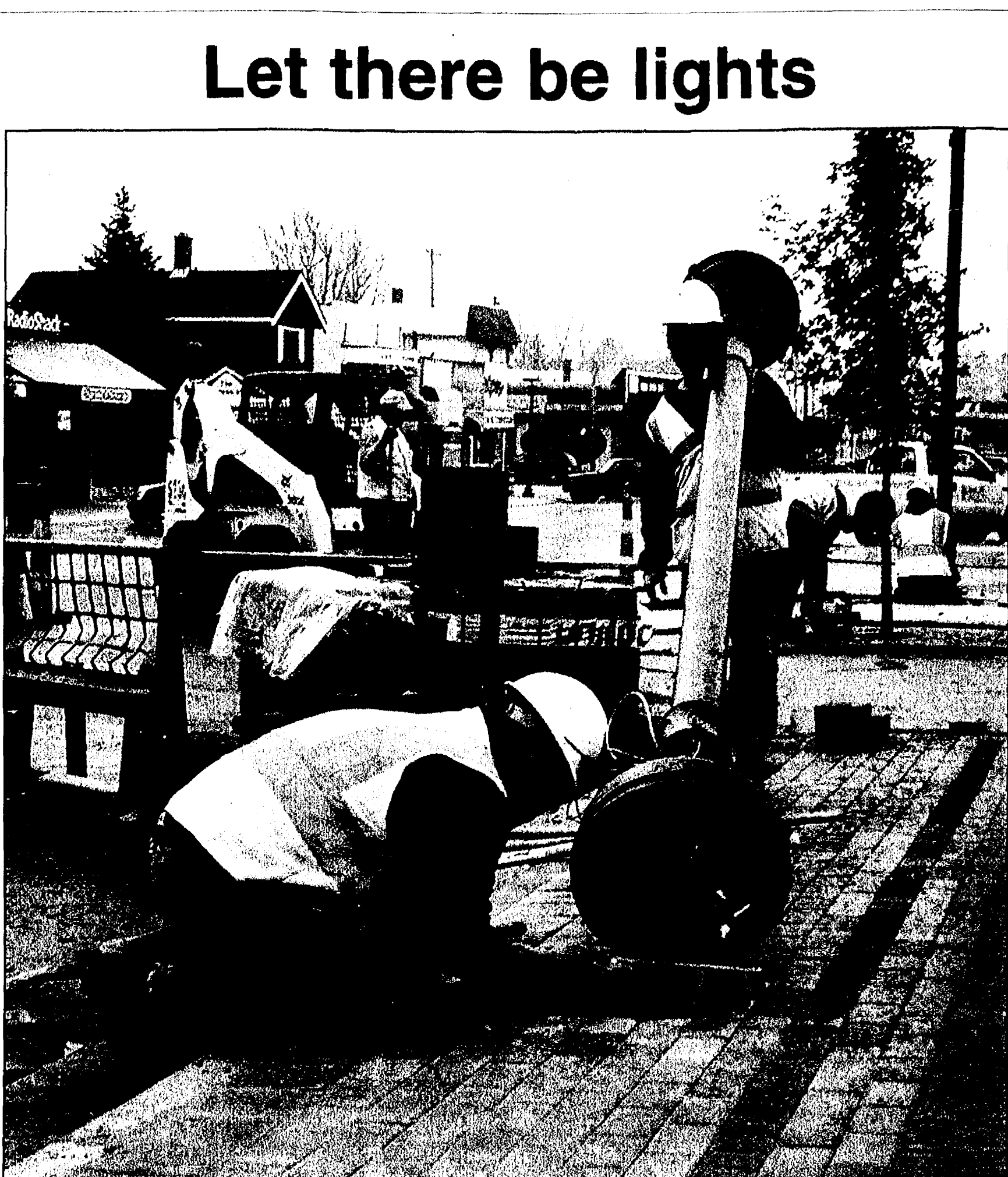



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The decorative lights for the City of Grayling's \$1.3 million streetscape project were put in place on Monday. Consumers Energy crews were expected to install the meters so that the lights would be on this week. Above, Brandon Scott and Devyn Blanchard, employees for Blanchard Contracting, Inc. of Prudenville, put one of the light poles in place.

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Accident investigation pending

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A crash that claimed the life of a 61-year-old Grayling woman, when a SUV careened into a restaurant, remains under investigation.

The accident, which occurred at the Fairview Coffee Shop and Bakery in Oscoda County on Nov. 3, claimed the life of two people and injured five others.

Restaurant patron Virgil Spainhower, 70, was pronounced dead at the scene. Ruby Lane, 61, of Grayling, another patron, was later pronounced

dead at Mercy Hospital Grayling.

The accident occurred when a southbound SUV, driven by Dean E. Hudson, 52, of Alpena, crossed the centerline of M-33 and ran off the east side of the road before striking the eatery located at 1530 N. Abbe Road. The vehicle traveled over a lawn, entered the building completely and struck the patrons seated inside.

Hudson, Lane's mother, Martha N. Maule, 83, of Roscommon, and Virgil Spainhower's wife, Sandra

Spainhower, 60, were treated for serious injuries at Mercy Hospital Grayling.

Restaurant patrons Martha N. Hagle, 53, of Roscommon, and Niah Cross, 4, of Clayton, Ohio, were taken to West Branch Regional Hospital. They were later transported by helicopter to Hurley Medical Center in Flint, where they both remain hospitalized.

Detective Sgt. Denny Reynolds, of the Gaylord Post of the Michigan State Police, and state troopers are investigating the accident.

Drunk driver collides with security vehicle

The driver of a vehicle that caused a head-on collision on M-72 West on Sunday was arrested for drunk driving.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said that Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies investigated a head-on accident, which occurred near the intersection of M-93 and M-72 West in Grayling

Township at 9:02 p.m., on Sunday, Nov. 11. Two vehicles collided after one of the vehicles crossed the centerline into the left turn lane of M-72. Occupants of the vehicle attempting to turn left from M-72 to M-93 were working for Interstate Security and in an Interstate Security vehicle. Both of those subjects sought their own

treatment at Mercy Hospital Grayling.

The driver of the vehicle that crossed the centerline was arrested for driving on a revoked license and operating while under the influence. The passenger in that vehicle was uninjured. The name of the driver is being withheld pending arraignment.

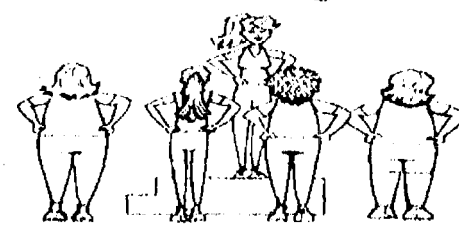
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Volunteers at the Crawford County Library are seeking sewers to support "Operation Sock Monkey." The library needs volunteers for a sew-a-thon that will occur on Saturday, Nov. 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Devereaux Memorial Library.

The library needs volunteers to sew, stuff and to do detail work. All help is welcome.

Please contact the library at (989)348-9214 if you have any questions.

Bingo

Sunday - 1:00 pm
Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465



Patriotic poet honored



Photo by Dan Sanderson

The Carl W. Borchers Post of the V.F.W. #3736 held its annual Veterans Day ceremony at the American Legion on Saturday. Above, Bill Borchers, commander of the Carl Borchers Post of the V.F.W. #3736, presented a community service award to James "Jimbo" Kehr for the poems he writes for veterans and the military and for his patriotism.



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GHS Players to present 'Bye Bye Birdie'

The Grayling High School Players will present the musical "Bye Bye Birdie" on Friday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 17, at 2 p.m. in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at the Grayling High School.

The setting takes place in the late 1950s, where teenagers from

all over the country are crazy for the rock star Conrad Birdie played by Andy Currison. His manager Albert Peterson, played by Chris Wells, and secretary, Rosie, played by Jessica Fowler, have staked their financial future on Conrad's success.

When Conrad becomes draft-

ed, Albert stages a farewell party in which one lucky fan, Kim MacAfee, played by Brianna Farrell, wins a prize of "One Last Kiss" from Conrad Birdie. MacAfee's parents, played by Joe Emmons and Hannah Smith, have their own agenda while her jealous boyfriend, Hugo, played

by Jonathan Lovely, tries to maintain his love interest.

This hilarious musical satire on life in the teeny-bop age is directed by Andrea Binert.

Tickets are on sale at Davis Jewelry for \$8 for adults and \$6 for students. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.



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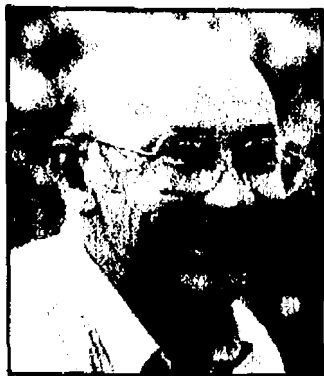
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- Salon Rue'
- Mercy Hospital Gift Shop
- Bear's Den
- Dawson-Stevens
- Historical Museum
- Radio Shack

OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Legislature takes a couple of Mulligans

WHEN I PLAY golf with my young grandson, he sometimes asks for a "do-over." The idea is that when he takes a golf shot that doesn't do the job right, he can do it over again. That's a do-over.

This year's legislature is taking a couple of do-overs.

Like most everything else in the state capital in the last couple of years, one of the do-overs involves taxes.

Facing a huge deficit for the fiscal year which started Oct. 1, the lawmakers sweated bullets in trying to put together a financing package of budget cuts and increased revenue to make ends meet.

After much rhetoric and midnight sessions, they couldn't quite get it done by the Sept. 30 deadline, so they adopted a 30-day continuation budget, which postponed the agony of decision for a month.

Sure enough, as Oct. 31 neared, blood, sweat and tears reappeared, along with more all night sessions while vigorous

bargaining again filled the capital. Finally, a new compromise package emerged, with selective service cuts yoked with extending the state sales tax to selected services. Budget problem was solved for another year.

Or so we were led to believe.

IMMEDIATELY THOSE hit by the new services tax, led by business forces, roared that the service tax put an impossible load upon the business community, would cost jobs and force many small operators out of business.

The new tax was "capricious, complicated and potentially burdensome to businesses big and small," opined *The Detroit Free Press* editorially.

Brooks Patterson, Oakland County administrator and long time Republican wheel horse and Detroit metro area mover and shaker, called the new services tax "odious, unfair and ill-conceived" and threatened a petition drive to overturn the tax at the polls. A capitol steps rally to "Ax

the Tax" punctuated the point.

The legislature buckled. So although the revenue part of the deal is essential to balancing the new budget, lawmakers took a do-over and repealed the tax they had adopted only a week or so earlier. Now they must go a-hunting for some other source of revenue — or wield an even sharper services pruning knife — to regain that elusive balanced budget.

It's never over until it's over, and the big budget fiasco for 2008 isn't over yet.

LAWMAKERS HAULED out a second do-over involving the new state presidential primary planned for Jan. 15, 2008.

In September, in a rush of rare bipartisan cooperation, the legislature voted to establish Michigan's presidential primary on Jan. 15. Both Democratic Gov. Jennifer Granholm and US Sen. Carl Levin, along with most Michigan Republican party leaders, thought it was a great idea. A majority of legislators agreed.

Political troubles ensued. Neither national party organization like the idea and threatened to slash Michigan representation at the national nominating conventions next summer. Most Democratic candidates promised not to campaign in Michigan, and the name of only one front runner — Sen. Hillary Clinton — will be on the ballot.

As primary boosters hoped, leading Republican candidates have been regular visitors here and we became more important in deciding the eventual Republican candidate.

THE PRIMARY law didn't please everyone in Michigan either. Changes never do. Primary voters must declare which party ballot they want, their names go on party lists, and each party gets the list of its voters. The public gets nothing.

Now legalities have arisen. A lawsuit was filed, claiming that because the public can not receive the voter lists like the two parties can, the primary law is

illegal. The Ingham county circuit court agreed.

As of now, the primary is off unless (1) a higher court reverses the Ingham judge, or (2) the law is changed to comply with the court decision.

So the legislature tried another do-over, which should be simple because both parties favored the primary in September. However, not this time. There are not enough votes, at least now, for a new primary bill to be in effect for Jan. 15.

Not everyone is upset by this turn of events. Many party regulars favor the old way of doing things. Democrats held party caucuses around the state, which are more responsive to regular party leadership, to choose their candidate. Republicans used state conventions, which also are easier for regular party leadership to influence and control.

So there it stands for now, at least. But as with the tax picture, it's never over until it's over, and Michigan's role in choosing presidential candidates is yet to

be determined.

IT'S UNUSUAL for a law-making body to have two chances in such short time to make decisions on the same question. In law making, laws passed usually stay passed for more than a few days, in the tax controversy, or a few weeks, in the primary controversy.

What my grandson calls do-overs on the golf course are called Mulligans by more experienced golfers, and he will learn that term soon enough.

My grandson may be able to take do-overs when he's playing practice rounds with buddies, but once the game gets serious, do-overs are not permitted on the golf course.

He'll also learn that he cannot take Mulligans or do-overs in life either unless he gets elected to the Michigan legislature.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Grayling's up north appeal is its forests

To the editor:

This amusement park idea does not sound like a good bet. Trading 1,800 acres of trees and possible negative impact to the surrounding environment for years to come, for 700 low wage full-time jobs. Jobs that will attract transients and do little to improve neighborhoods. Nor will these jobs entice kids to stick around after graduation.

The proposed theme park is suspect in my opinion and does not sound well thought out from the very beginning. Where are the success stories and financing references?

Is this what travelers really want to stop for on their way up north? I think very few will make it a destination, like they do Disney and Cedar Point or even Traverse City.

Axiom and Crosson's project seems second rate at best with a hodgepodge of attractions (a landlocked aircraft carrier?).

Now the developers for the theme park have backed away from their bid to seek five to seven million dollars in bonds from Crawford County taxpayers,

but may want tax abatements through various municipal programs for up to 25 percent on their investment in a given year, as well as one million in funds from MDOT and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

Grayling's up north appeal is its beautiful forests, rivers, streams, lakes and trails. We have year around entertainment here and, for a Christmas theme, Michigan has Frankenmuth. This amusement park would compete with tourists dollars and would be a tough sell to convince many that they need to plan their trip around this attraction. People come to Grayling for the outdoors.

What happens after the DNR sells the land and the park does not work out? 1,800 acres of cement with weeds growing up through the cracks and a rusty ship. Who pays for the clean up? Or, do we then try to attract a casino? One thing's for sure, the trees won't come back.

Greg McComas
Beverly Hills and Grayling

VIEWPOINT

By James Wilson, DO, Medical Director, District Health Department #10

MRSA (Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus)

MRSA (Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus) has been in the news lately and will become more important in the future. As you probably know, MRSA and VRE (Vancomycin Resistant Enterococcus) are bacteria that are resistant to the usual antibiotics that have been used against them for years. Antibiotic resistant organisms have appeared on the scene, it is thought, because of the wide use of antibiotic prescriptions that act to change the bacteria's environment, allowing them to invoke a genetic change and cause them to become resistant to the antibiotics. MRSA is a problem in schools, hospitals, daycares, and the community as a whole. Combating this public health problem will require new strategies.

In the community, most MRSA infections are skin infections that may start as perceived "spider bite" like lesions and progress rapidly to pustules or boils which are often red, swollen and painful. These lesions should be incised and drained for cure and culture and sensitivity. They often progress rapidly and require different antibiotics than Staphylococcus. MRSA can cause serious infections of the lungs, urinary tract, deep tissues and blood stream. Most MRSA infections are potentially serious, but can be treated.

Persons can carry MRSA in their nose, on their skin, or in their lungs without symptoms. MRSA is transmitted by direct

skin to skin contact, contact with shared items or surfaces or by objects used by others. MRSA commonly appears in schools, athletic team settings, jails, and where people live in close contact and/or have less than adequate hygiene.

Hand washing and the cleaning of surfaces and objects with EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) approved cleaners will control the spread of this organism in all settings. If a person has open skin that is infected with MRSA, the wound area should be covered by a dressing and effective hand washing time and technique is essential.

The best way to avoid getting a staph infection, including MRSA, is to wash your hands and keep surfaces and clothing clean. Dr. Wilson recommends these guidelines for all settings including schools, day care centers, and the health care field:

Allow students time to wash their hands. Handwashing at the beginning of the day, before eating and after recess will decrease the risk of getting or spreading germs of all types.

Provide students, teachers, and health care providers with waterless hand cleaner if soap and water are not available.

Use single-use paper towels or hot air hand dryers after washing your hands.

People should use their own towels. Towels should not be shared by anyone.

Gym clothes and towels should be laundered in the hottest tolerable water with soap

and dried in the hottest tolerable dryer setting. Gym equipment should also be cleaned frequently.

Clean frequently touched surfaces, such as doorknobs and door handles, with hot soapy water.

Use warm soapy water to clean a minor cut or scrape. More serious cuts and injuries should be examined and treated by a doctor.

All draining wounds should be kept covered.

Generally speaking, people with a staph infection should wait two to four days after treatment has started to return to school or work.

Use antibiotics wisely. Take all of a prescribed antibiotic as directed by your doctor. Don't take someone else's antibiotics.

The following links will provide additional MRSA related information:

District Health Department #10 - www.dhd10.org (under current health topics).

Hand Washing Technique <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5605a4.htm>.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/ar_mrsa_ca.html and www.cdc.gov/Features/MRSAinSchools.

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases www3.niaid.nih.gov/topics/AntimicrobialResistance.

Michigan Department of Community Health MRSA Treatment Guidelines www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/pdf/ar/CAMRSA_ExpMtgStrategic.pdf.

EPA Cleaning Products (Look up MRSA cleaning products) <http://www.epa.gov/>.

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Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

Early Deadlines!

Avalanche publishing early for Thanksgiving holiday!

The Crawford County Avalanche will publish on Tuesday, Nov. 20 so newsstand buyers and our local subscribers will receive the November 22nd issue before the Thanksgiving holiday.

The deadline for all display ads is 5 pm Thursday, Nov. 15, to be considered for the Nov. 22nd issue. Community news items and classified display ads must be turned in by noon Friday, Nov. 16. Classified ads by the word must be turned in by noon, Monday, Nov. 19.

The Avalanche will be closed Thursday, Nov. 22, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, and re-open at 9 am Friday, Nov. 23

BRIEFS

Straits Area Ostomy Assoc. to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, Nov. 18, at 2 p.m., in the back doctor's dining room at Northern Michigan Hospital, Petoskey. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. Call 989-821-5721 for information.

Church to hold annual bazaar

St. John Lutheran Church, 710 Spruce St., will hold its annual bazaar on Nov. 17, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. There will be crafts, baked goods, white elephant gifts, soups, desserts and a raffle. Call 348-5224.

Michelson to hold Shopper's Showcase

The 5th annual Home Shopper's Showcase will be held on Saturday, Nov. 17, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, Grayling. Shop from: Arbonne, Avon, Creative Memories, Discovery Toys, Home and Garden, Iia Sophia jewelry, Longaberger, Mary Kay, Pampered Chef, PartyLite, Stampin' Up, Tastefully Simple, The Body Shop at Home, Tupperware, Watkins, and more. A luncheon and bake sale will be offered. Prizes will be given away every hour. Admission is free.

Church to be part of Christmas Walk

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, Michigan Ave., Grayling, will participate in the Christmas Walk, Saturday, Nov. 17. A live nativity will be outside from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. A cookie walk will be held in the church narthex from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Help Center in need of coats

The Crawford County Community Christian Help Center is accepting winter coats and jackets of all sizes. They must be clean and in good condition. Large amounts of children's coats are needed.

Animal Shelter to be part of Christmas Walk

Help the animals at AuSable Valley Animal Shelter buy stopping in the old Heirloom Antique Mall during the Christmas Walk. There will be a great variety of holiday pet items, board games, note cards, baked goods, a gift basket raffle and a chance to order a "Paws to Cherish" ornament for the Dec. 1 tree lighting event. "Pet Photos with Santa" will be held Dec. 1 at the new shelter from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Donation of \$20 per photo package. Kids are welcome. No appointment necessary.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Jeff Daniels to entertain crowds at KCPA

He might be better known for his roles on the big screen in films such as "Speed," "Gettysburg" and "Dumb and Dumber," but for over three decades Michigan native Jeff Daniels has put together a collection of some 400 pointedly funny and poignant songs.

He'll bring his musical talent center stage to the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts for one show only during, "An Evening with Jeff Daniels," at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 17, at the main campus of Kirtland Community College near Roscommon.

"I've been writing songs for over 30 years," Daniels says. "I don't write hits. I don't send out demos to famous singers. I just write songs. They're my diaries. I had everything I've ever written in this big, black notebook," he added. "Some of them were typed, some were in long hand, but all of them had a time and a place that marked some moment in my life. If you really wanted to get to know me, you'd find me in there."

And his talents aren't just limited to acting and song writ-

ing. Daniels also wrote "Escanaba in da Moonlight," a film and play that tells the tale of five Yoopers, residents of Michigan's Upper Peninsula, and their escapades at a ramshackle deer camp on the eve of the opening day of the 1989 hunting season.

Daniels grew up in Chelsea, near Ann Arbor, where his family owned and operated the Chelsea Lumber Co. Later, he founded the Purple Rose Theatre Company, located in his hometown. For more information on Daniels, visit online at www.jeffdaniels.com.

Tickets for the Nov. 17 performance are \$26 and \$24, and may be purchased by calling the KCPA Ticket Office at 989-275-6777. For more information, or to purchase tickets online, visit the KCPA Web site at www.kirtland.edu/kcpa.

Child care is available on campus during the performance and if patrons are interested in the service, they are asked to call the ticket office for details. Free shuttle service from the parking lot to the main lobby doors is also available.

RAFFLE WINNERS

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Nominations open for 2007 O.B. Eustis Environmental Awards

Always striving to balance environmental protection with economic development, the late O.B. Eustis was widely respected as an industrialist, an environmentalist, and a nature columnist. Since 1995, Huron Pines has been a partner with the Community Foundation of Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) and the O.B. Eustis Award Committee to recognize the legacy he left. Huron Pines is now accepting nominations through Dec. 31, 2007, for the awards given in his honor.

Winners, individuals, organizations or businesses are recognized based on their application of balancing resource conservation and development. Through a CFNEM grant administered by Huron Pines, each winner selected will be able to designate a \$500 award to an environmental project in Northeast Michigan.

Last year's recipients of the O.B. Eustis Award included Lorraine Becker, for her work to teach young people about the ecology of a river; Jerry Smith, recognized for his outstanding contributions to protect and preserve the beautiful Ocqueoc River in Presque Isle County; and Alcona Township for their establishment of a park on Lake Huron at the mouth of the Black River. They designated their \$500

awards to the Thunder Bay Watershed Restoration Committee and Watershed Walk, Headwaters Land Conservancy, and the Alcona Black River Watershed Project, respectively.

The nominees for the O.B. Eustis Award may come from the 11 county service area of Huron Pines, which includes the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Rosecommon. The winners will be recognized at the annual meeting of Huron Pines on Feb. 2, 2008.

Nomination forms, along with the criteria by which the applicants are judged, can be obtained by contacting: Huron Pines, 501 Norway St., Grayling, MI 49738, phone: (989) 344-0753 x21, e-mail: jill@huronpines.org.

Nomination forms are due by Dec. 31, 2007. Anyone with questions may call Jill Scarzo at the Huron Pines office, extension 21.

Huron Pines is a non-profit organization whose goal is to conserve the forests, lakes and streams in Northeast Michigan. The organization creates partnerships between the private and public sectors in order to complete hands-on conservation projects. More information is available at www.huronpines.org.

Snowshoe building workshop at Hartwick Pines

Winter is fast approaching and it is time once again to think about winter recreation such as snowshoeing. Hartwick Pines State Park, near Grayling, will be hosting their first snowshoe building workshop in several years on Dec. 8 and 9. This is an opportunity to build your own pair of wood framed snowshoes to be used during Michigan's winter months. The two day workshop will be on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 8 and 9, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Michigan Forest Visitor Center at Hartwick Pines.

Snowshoe styles available will be the Huron Snowshoe, 46 inches long by 12 inches wide and has a tail on it, and the Green Mountain Bearpaw, 36 inches long by 10 inches wide with no tail.

While building your shoes, learn about the history of snowshoes, their use and why they are a popular pastime in Michigan. Also provided are detailed instructions to finish your shoes if they are not completed at the class. The workshops are very informal: wear comfortable clothes and bring along a sack lunch. The park will provide a variety of hot beverages.

Because of limited space availability, reservations are required for all classes. Reservation deadlines are Nov. 26. Total cost is \$150, with a \$25 non-refundable deposit to reserve your spot and \$125 due upon arrival to the workshop. For additional information, and to have a registration packet sent to you, call 989-348-2537.

There will be several other programs offered at Hartwick Pines this winter. These include guided snowshoe hikes on Jan. 19, Feb. 2 and 16, and March 1; and Cross Country Skiing by Lantern Light on Jan. 12 and 26 and Feb. 9 and 23. We will also be presenting a Winter Lecture Series of historical topics on

three Thursday evenings, Jan. 24, Feb. 21 and March 20. For more information, call 989-348-2537 or visit us on the internet at www.michigan.gov/hartwick-pines and www.michigan.gov/loggingmuseum.

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The Bible Speaks

Marks of a Christian

In Romans 6:17 we have one of the most complete verses in the Bible on the conversion and transformation of a sinner to a saint by God's grace. "17But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you."

The first mark of a Christian is gratitude. "But God be thanked," for saving a sinner who was once a slave or servant to sin. "15Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift." (2 Cor. 9:15). "So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks for ever..." (Psa. 79:13). "57But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Cor. 15:57). "18In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." (1 Thess 5:18).

The second mark of a Christian is our guiltlessness from total depravity by God's grace; "that ye were the servants of sin." All believers can say with the apostle Paul in 1 Timothy 1:15: "15This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sin-

ners; of whom I am chief." "3For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. 4But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, 5Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost: 6Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; 7That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life." (Tit. 3:3-7).

The third mark of a Christian is God's grace converting us into new creatures by repentance from sin and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ: "...ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you." Conversion results in repentance from sin, or a turning from obeying sin to obeying God. Jesus made repentance a part of the gospel in Luke 24:47: "47And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." "21Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." (Acts 20:21).

True conversion involves the

complete person including the will, emotion, and intellect. One must have a converted will, "...but ye have obeyed..." As our Lord said in John 6:38: "38For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me." Next the heart or emotions must be converted, "...from the heart." As Romans 10:9,10 states, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Finally the mind must be converted by the doctrine of Holy Scripture, "that form of doctrine which was delivered you." "2And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." Pastor "B".

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OBITUARIES



Irene M. Gildner

Feb. 2, 1946 - Nov. 5, 2007

Irene M. Gildner, 61, of Grayling, passed away on November 5, 2007.

She was born in Grayling, on February 2, 1946, to Newman and Doris (Liverton) Bancroft.

She married William R. Gildner on June 24, 1960, at Calvary Baptist Church in Grayling.

She enjoyed taking care of her family, her home, working in her yard with her flowers, quilting, many types of crafts, golf and traveling to Florida.

She is survived by husband, Bill of 47 years; sons: William R. Gildner Jr., Steven Gildner, Tim (Dawn Hentkowski) Gildner, and Ronald Gildner all of Grayling; grandchildren: Jesse and Travis Helsel, Chad David Gildner, Ashley Marie Gildner, Joseph Scott Gildner; sisters, Evelyn Kender and Anita Hillaker, sister-in-laws, Barb Bancroft, Vickie Gildner; and brother, Larry Bancroft.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Norman and Erwin Bancroft; and grandson, Steven Helsel.

A memorial service was held at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, Grayling, on November 12, with Rev. Scott Hoffer officiating.

Interment will be at Elmwood Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com.

Memorials may be made to Mercy Hospice. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Hilda Johnston

July 23, 1932 - Nov. 9, 2007

Hilda Johnston, 75, of Grayling, passed away on November 9, 2007.

She was born in Russia, on July 23, 1932, to the late Jakob and Maria (Steigerwaldt) Diener.

She married George Johnston on June 5, 1954, in Flint. They were married 40 years before he preceded her in death in 1994.

She came to the United States at 19 years old and obtained her citizenship in the 1970s.

She came to the Grayling area in 1986, coming from Flint.

She was a member of Mt. Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her daughter, Julie (Bruce) King of Prescott, Wis., son, George (Susan) Johnston of Garden City; grandchildren: Heather, Jacob, Miriam, Rachel, Leah, and Jeremy; sisters: Emma Schatz of Flint, Katerina Sullivan of Ala., Lydia (Sam) Grossi of Clio; and brother, Heinrich (Martha) Diener of Flushing.

A funeral service was held at Mt. Hope Evangelical Lutheran on November 14, with Pastor Steven Thiel officiating.

Interment was at Sunset Hills Cemetery in Flint.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

James L. Skagerberg

Jan. 13, 1959 - Nov. 7, 2007

James L. Skagerberg, age 48, of South Branch Township, passed away November 7, 2007.

A funeral service was held on November 9, at Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon. Arrangements by Walsh-Funeral Home, Roscommon.

Edwin Bennett

Edwin Bennett, 79, of Grayling, passed away November 10, 2007. Funeral arrangements are pending. Call Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home at 348-2951.

Wesley W. Smith

Wesley W. Smith, 70, of Frederic, passed away November 12, 2007. Call Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home for arrangements at 348-2951.

Dale A. Czuba

Dec. 10, 1950 - Sept. 25, 2007

A memorial service for Dale A. Czuba, will be held November 17, at 1 p.m., at the American Legion Hall, Grayling.

HONORS

Ferris State University

University officials announced that 1,410 students received Academic Honors for the semester that ended in August 2007 at Ferris State University and Kendall College of Art and Design. The students from Grayling included are Brigid Deleo, Tracy Parkinson and Jasmine Stancil. To be eligible for Academic Honors, undergraduate students must have accumulated at least a 3.5 GPA in no fewer than 12 credit hours of coursework at the 100 level or higher during the semester, while part-time students must have accumulated at least 12 credit hours of graded coursework at the 100 level or higher with a 3.5 semester GPA and a 3.3 cumulative GPA.

Jasmine Stancil, of Grayling, completed the requirements for her Associate in Applied Science degree from Ferris State University.

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Prayer Meeting (Wednesday)7 pm

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Evening Worship6 pm
Wednesday7 pm

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E-mail: reslife@resurrection.org

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Sunday Worship11 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Evening7 pm

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Wednesday Service7 pm

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Clare Burns is new Kiwanis Michigan District Governor



Clare Burns

Clare Burns, who is originally from Grayling and now resides in Traverse City, is the new Kiwanis Michigan District Governor for the 2007-2008 year. In his office, Burns oversees some 190 Kiwanis Clubs in 19 Divisions throughout Michigan.

Taking office on Oct. 1, Burns declared the major emphasis theme for his term as "The Bridge Between Needs and Solutions," indicating the importance of the service that Kiwanis members bring to their communities by providing solutions to needs, and encouraging Kiwanis members to become more

involved in that service.

Previously, Burns served as the Michigan Division 21 Lieutenant Governor in 2001 and as the Kiwanis Club of Traverse City's President in 1985. He currently also serves as Treasurer for his home club, the Kiwanis Club of Traverse City, a position he has held since 2005. Burns has been a member of Kiwanis since 1975. In 2001 he also received the Kiwanis International Foundation's George F. Hixson Fellowship, an honor given in recognition of support of the Kiwanis International Foundation.

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. Founded in 1915 in Detroit, and with headquarters now in Indianapolis, Kiwanis International is a thriving organization of service and community-minded individuals who support children and young adults around the world.

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SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 62 complaints the week of Nov. 5 - Nov. 11:

Fifteen general non-criminal complaints, two burglary/home invasions, one burglary/no forced entry, two larcenies, one larceny-theft, one insufficient funds check, five public peace/disorderlies, one owl/ubal, three health and safeties, one conservation, one miscellaneous

criminal offense, 20 traffic accidents, two inspections/investigations family, six suspicious situations, and one driving violation/driving while license suspended.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Devereaux Memorial Library

The whole family can come to the Devereaux Memorial Library, Saturday, Nov. 17, from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m., during Grayling's annual "Christmas Walk," and meet Sgt. Sock Monkey.

Who is Sgt. Sock Monkey and what is he doing at the library? Sgt. Sock Monkey is the library's own mascot, and during "Operation Sock Monkey," the whole community can help him by getting involved with supporting our troops abroad and having fun while doing it. Making 300 sock monkeys, to comfort the dependent children of each of the families of two of the most recently deployed Michigan National Guard units, is phase one. There have been sew-a-thons at the Devereaux Memorial Library, and they welcome your help with sewing, stuffing and detailing. Cards,

letters and care packages will be needed when they ship for the holidays. For more information, contact the library at 989-348-9214.

Hats, gloves, scarves and mittens are donning the Christmas tree at the Devereaux Memorial Library and it will be going to needy families for the holiday season. All donations should be turned in by Saturday, Dec. 8, but items will not be turned down if brought in after that date. Donations can be made to any of the Crawford County Branch Libraries.

Frederic Community Library

The Frederic Community will be holding a "Harvest Time" program on Saturday, Nov. 17, at 11 a.m. Stories and a beautiful Thanksgiving craft centerpiece are part of this event. To sign up, or for more information, call Connie at 989-348-4067.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of Nov. 14 - 21 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618 and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during Nov. 14.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to

mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371. For further information call 1-989-344-6156.

GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl A. Schreiner reports his department handled the following complaints during the period of Nov. 4 - Nov. 11:

One traffic warning, one traffic accident, one private property accident, two traffic control situations, one misdemeanor arrest,

one assault, one civil complaint, one suspicious situation complaint, two larceny complaints, two alarm complaints, one juvenile complaint, three assist other departments, two disturbance complaints, two fraud complaints, one MDOP complaint and 11 unclassified complaints.

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Essence of Beauty finds new location

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Grayling residents now have the opportunity to get a new hairdo and shop for apparel all in one stop.

Essence of Beauty, a beauty salon owned by Penny Solomonson, opened in its new location at 110 Ottawa Street on Oct. 10.

Solomonson operated her salon at 206 Huron Street for 30 years. She was forced to relocate due to the Walgreens development that is coming to Grayling.

The beauty shop, along with Riverside Barbershop (now Luther's Barbershop), the local American Federation of Teachers office and H & R Block, were notified in July by landlord Jim VanderLaan that they had to vacate the building by September.

Solomonson approached Jean Weaver and Pam Barr, the owners of North Country Corner, an apparel store and gift shop that opened earlier this year, about leasing the space.

"They were gracious enough to split off space and remodel it so we could continue to do business," Solomonson said.

Solomonson said she appreciates being in the downtown area, and said the new location has drawn new clientele to the salon.

"It fits our needs and it's working out very, very well," she said.

Judy Ahrens, an Essence of Beauty stylist for 18 years, has joined Solomonson at the new location.

They hope that increased traffic will warrant bringing in



Essence of Beauty, a beauty salon owned by Penny Solomonson (above), opened in its new location at 110 Ottawa Street on Oct. 10.

another beautician to occupy a third stylist's chair in the spring.

The salon offers hair cuts and

styles, perms and color treatments.

"We're really happy here, and

it's one of the best things that's happened to us," Solomonson said.

Photo by Dan Sanderson

HONORS

Grand Valley State University

More than 1,900 students earned degrees from Grand Valley State University in April.

Students from Grayling are: Emily Fox - Bachelor of Arts, Laura Gassman - Bachelor of Science and Kimberly Johnston - Master of Education. Polly Eckerly and Deborah Sharpe, both graduated with degrees in Master of Social Work. They are

both from Roscommon.

Grand Valley State University announced that Emily Fox, Laura Gassman, Bethanie Hulbert, Tracey Lewis and Amanda Lutz, all of Grayling, and Ann Bozzo, of Roscommon, were placed on the Dean's List for the 2007 winter semester. The students must have maintained a 3.5 grade point average and been enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits.

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Dr. Kerle accepts teaching position

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

After two decades of helping maintain patients' dental needs in Grayling, Dr. Arthur Kerle and his family are moving on to new horizons.

Kerle retired from his dental practice on Oct. 31.

Kerle has accepted a teaching position at Greenville College, a small Christian college located in Greenville, Ill. He will be teaching anatomy, physiology, genetics, cellular biology and human biology to pre-med and pre-dental students as they prepare for their professional education.

Kerle began practicing in Grayling in 1984, and established his own office in 1986.

In recent years Kerle began exploring retirement options and other job opportunities, because of issues he was having with his hands due to the repetitive motions of practicing dentistry.

"I didn't want to go to bed at night wondering if I was doing the best for my patients," he said.

Kerle's wife Becky, an alumni of Greenville College, discovered the teaching position earlier this year. He interviewed for the job, taught some classes and was hired for the position.

"It was just by God's hand that we found this opportunity," Kerle said.

Dr. Mark Davey has taken over Kerle's practice. Both Kerle and Davey attended the Shuster Program for Professional Development, and have similar philosophies in dental care, excellence and professionalism.



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Dr. Arthur Kerle retired from his dental practice on Oct. 31 to accept a teaching position at Greenville College, a small Christian college located in Greenville, Ill. Above, Kerle is pictured by the no cavity club photos in his office.

Davey graduated from the University of Michigan Dental School, has practiced in northern Michigan since 1986 and currently resides in Traverse City.

Davey, and the rest of the dental staff, will be on hand for patients' next visits and to meet their dental needs.

"He gets the best staff that

I've had in 21 years," Kerle said.

Kerle said he appreciates the cards and well wishes he has received from patients, and will miss talking about music, books and their families during their dental visits.

"That's the hardest part, leaving the people that you know so well," Kerle said.

An avid photographer, Kerle

plans to return to Grayling in the summer months for the AuSable River Canoe Marathon. He also looks forward to more time visiting with his family here and spending time with his children Kristen, age 8, Matthew, age 13, and Arthur, age 15.

"It's going to give us more time to fly fishing, canoeing and kayaking," Kerle said.

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Scouts hike through prehistoric grounds

Boy Scout Troop #995, of Grayling, recently traveled to seek out hidden treasures in the Negwegon State Park north of Harrisville.

Scouts hiked about five miles to the South Pointe, near the Black River, to examine Michigan's prehistoric artifacts. As the Scouts walked the lakeshore of Lake Huron through the pine woods, they came upon a clearing that revealed an old stone well next to a twisted ancient thorn-apple tree. Legend has it that a slave and his wife were tired of running from the south and built a homestead within Negwegon. The homestead has since gone back to nature and all that remains is the well, which is approximately four and a half feet deep and has

filled in through the years. The slave and his wife settled there and did a bit of blacksmith work until he died.

Further on in the park, there are the remains of what some historians consider to be a prehistoric rock wall or stone fence. It is said that if you stand at this spot and listen, the waves striking against the rocky shore seem to whisper of yet another time and the secrets of an era covered up at that very spot. The rock walls have some different theories as to why they are there and what purpose they served. They go straight for a bit, then for no reason, veer off at acute right angles. The walls do not seem to have confined an area, although they are in a lowland area, which raises more doubts as to their

existence.

Within the confines of the park exist many stone piles or cairns. A cairn is a mound of stones, oftentimes used as a burial cover. Some researchers also indicate that these rock piles could have served as markers or guides. Others say they could offer the probability of sighting points for a prehistoric calendar, compass or observatory. The cairns are all through the area, some a little larger than others.

Just up the trail lies an old Indian burial ground, but as luck would have it, time was running out and the Scouts did not hike to that area.

Troop #995 also did another hike in October on Drummond Island. This was a 10-mile hike, and took the Scouts to Marble

Head, which is believed to be the highest point of the island. Drummond Island proves to be one of the toughest hike we do, said Scoutmaster Jim Pickell.

The trails are very rocky and, since they are used for ORVs, they can be impassible in spots as the road turns into large water holes. Getting around these spots proved to be tricky, but not impossible. Getting up to Marble Head made the hike worth it as the view was spectacular, Pickell said.

A couple of new scouts joined the troop for their first outing, did very well and had a great time. The troop was also joined by Unit Commissioner Dave Lauria for the hike.

If you would like to join Boy Scout Troop #995 for some fun adventures, call Pickell at 348-2870.

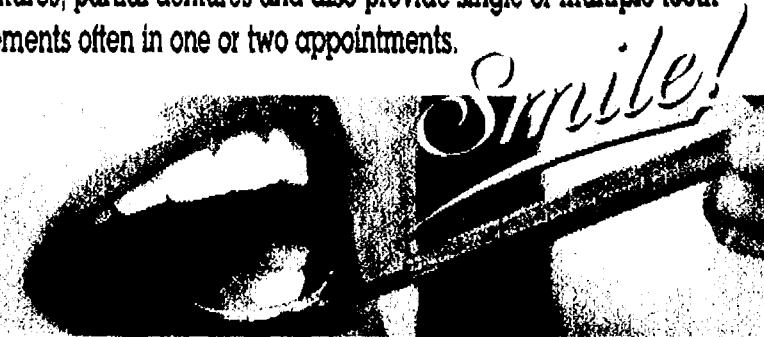


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GMS names students of the month



The students selected as Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for October are, from the left: (back row) Kaitlin Adamski, David Bergan, CJ Bertram, Jacob Cochrane, Stephanie Ellis, Kendra Fisk, Philip Hagle; (middle row) Kaylene Harris, Lindsey Johnson, Madison Juntilla, Calvin Kangas, Courtney Langowski, Jesse McClain, Madison Nielson, Mikaela Parish; (front row) Tyler Pratt, Davy Ray, Tyler Summers, Brandon Latusek, Tyler McClanahan, Shawn Thomas, Tiffany Wilson; (not pictured) Nicole Chad, Torrey Messerschmidt.

ALUMNI HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS DUE JANUARY 18, 2008

The 4th Alumni Hall of Fame Ceremony will take place at Grayling High School on Sunday, May 4, 2008. Nomination forms are available at every school and at Central Office. The nomination form is also available on the district web site. The three criteria that the board will use to select the alumni are:

- Highest degree possible in candidate's field of study
- Significant life achievement, honor or award
- Significant contribution toward improving the lives of others

If you know someone worthy of this honor, please take the time to fill out a nomination petition. The board will be making the selection by January 21, 2008, and only twenty individuals will be honored this year. The inductees into the Alumni Hall of Fame will be displayed proudly in the main entrance at Grayling High School.

The purpose of this program is to not only honor graduates from our community who have accomplished great things in their lives but also to motivate our students at the high school to set goals for their own future.

KCC recognized for service learning

Kirtland Community College has yet again been recognized as one of the leaders in service learning programs, helping to both provide enhanced community services while expanding learning opportunities for its students.

Campus Compact, a national organization that promotes post-secondary education and civic involvement, recently recognized Kirtland's service learning program as one of 15 campus models.

"We were part of a nationwide publication," said Nicholas Holton, math instructor at Kirtland for the past 11

years and the college's service learning coordinator for eight years. "We are a campus model for federal work study and community service."

Specifically, Campus Compact lauded Kirtland for working to overcome such obstacles as a large rural geographical district, financial constraints, low population densities and fragmented community agencies. The full description of Kirtland's efforts titled, "Service in a Rural Setting: Meaningful Programs at Kirtland Community College District," may be viewed online at www.compact.org/fws/chapters/models/kirtland.

According to Holton, through its work studies programs, Kirtland encourages students to work and become involved in their home communities, while also bringing those experiences back to the classroom to be integrated into the student's academic curriculum.

One example is that students studying businesses are asked to help complete community grant applications as a service learning activity, or a student could become involved in a community organization. Students in Kirtland's construction trades program, hosted at its M-TEC facility in Gaylord, have helped build homes for local Habitat for Humanity groups.

The effort even extends to the Kirtland Regional Police Academy, where recruits spend up to 20 hours visiting with area seniors. Tom Grace, KRPA coordinator, said the program helps the recruits meet

some of the different types of people they'll be serving once they graduate. The recruits keep a journal of their experiences and receive credit toward their community policing module.

"This is a way Kirtland can become a kind of community problem solver," Holton said. "Service learning is a way you can incorporate these types of activities into the classroom. You're able to learn a subject while providing a service."

Holton said Kirtland's ability to overcome obstacles and provide such services, as well as enhanced learning experiences for its students, is drawing more and more attention.

In February, while attending the Service Learning Conference at Schoolcraft Community College, chemistry instructor Kristy Gibson was awarded the Campus Compact Faculty Award for her efforts to organize "Chemistry Day" events, at the college's main campus near Roscommon, for middle school students. The Award was sponsored by The Corporation for National and Community Service and Michigan Campus Compact.

Gibson also received a Brighter Futures Grant from Michigan Campus Compact and Learn and Serve America. The grant provides money for supplies and busing for local elementary students to attend seven Chemistry Days.

While not wanting to let out any secrets, Holton said there's a chance yet another Kirtland faculty member may be honored at the upcoming Michigan Campus Compact conference in February 2008.

For more information about service learning programs at Kirtland, contact Holton by calling 989-275-5000, extension 412, or visit online at www.kirtland.edu/service.

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Area hunters education instructor honored

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Sportsman's Club.

Kiessel utilizes a number of hunters education instructors in his classes, and he breaks various aspects of the classes into individual stations, where they learn about topics such as firearms, shooting and accuracy, first aid and tree stand safety.

"He gets them in a small group atmosphere, where those kids can get one-on-one instruction," said Sgt. Kevin Davis, the northern Michigan hunters education instructor coordinator for the DNR. "They've done a super job with their classes over there."

Davis commended Kiessel for being able to build a team of instructors for his classes.

"He's very humble, and he loves to teach kids," Davis said. "We're proud to have him and happy to have him."

Dennis Ryan, a Crawford County hunters education

instructor, nominated Kiessel for the award and nearly two dozen fellow instructors signed the nomination form.

"It goes with a lot of teachers that you can't do enough for kids and that's his philosophy in life," Ryan said. "He makes it very interesting for kids and it's not just them sitting in the classroom watching tapes and listening to the instructors."

Kiessel said he appreciates getting the kids outside and away from the television and video games. His classes are exploratory in nature, but stress safety, responsibility and ethics.

Although Kiessel has used a cut off for enrollment into classes, he always allows extra students in.

"I just can't tell a kid no," he said.

Kiessel also uses stationary targets for target shooting rather than throwing clay pigeons,

which can leave a youngster discouraged if they don't connect with the target.

"I like to see that smile on their face when they leave," he said.

DNR law enforcement officials said Kiessel has been instrumental in helping disabled students like Nick Bennett, 17 of St. Helen, who is blind. Bennett successfully completed the hunters education course under Kiessel's instruction last year and bagged an eight-point buck in Alpena County with the assistance of a mentor hunter and a laser-sighting device.

"Having Nick in class was a challenge at first, but what he brought to the class in his determination and motivation made it the most rewarding class I've ever had," Kiessel said. "Nick was assigned a mentor instructor to assist him during class and he also taught us a few things as well - it was an experience I

wouldn't trade."

Kiessel said he was pleased to be recognized by his peers for his hunters education efforts. There are 2,500 hunters education instructors in the state. He said he loves seeing parents and grandparents go through the classes with their children.

"It's to keep the tradition going and it's been very rewarding that way," Kiessel said.

Kiessel received the award at the National Resources Commission, held in Lansing on Nov. 8.

"We are fortunate to have dedicated instructors like Richard Kiessel, who volunteer their time and energy to teach youth how to hunt safely and responsibly," said DNR Director Rebecca Humphries. "Not only does Mr. Kiessel teach his own classes, he also helps other instructors in his area improve their teaching skills."

A community celebration to be held at GHS

Bringing together the best of both worlds, Gay Pizzi, owner and instructor of Dance Attitude Studio, and pianist/choir director Jill Scarzo, will present an evening of celebration where, as Jill puts it, "People can enjoy a fun, festive good old-fashioned Christmas concert where everyone will be surrounded with music and dancing which will leave you with wonderful memories and a renewed sense of faith and hope for tomorrow."

Pizzi and Scarzo felt that a

community concert would be a grand and fun undertaking and are calling the collaborative effort "Bringing Christmas Home." The title is reflective of how much we need to connect as a community, especially when times are particularly difficult.

The celebration will be held at the Grayling High School on Dec. 8. The program starts at 7 p.m., doors open at 6 p.m. for general seating. All proceeds from the \$5 per person concert ticket, maximum \$15 per family,

will benefit the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center (CCCCHC). Tickets can be purchased at the door or at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. For those who cannot afford tickets, arrangements for free tickets can be made through CCCCCHC at 300 Huron St.

The dancers will bring a multitude of dance styles to the stage with performances in jazz, lyrical, clogging and liturgical

dance. From a soulful version of Silent Night to a beautiful liturgical song with candles.

Scarzo offers the talents of the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church's Chancel Choir - a church choir that really knows how to sing it up.

"Add the mellow tones of Brian Ashton singing 'Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire (The Christmas Song)' and other local artists and you've got yourself a very merry Christmas concert," said Pizzi.

Animal Shelter fund named in memory of Thor

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the point of continuous pain and

discomfort, Postma made the difficult decision to put Thor down on Friday, Oct. 19.

"In a bitter moment, I might feel as if we had won the battle, but lost the war," Postma said in a note to those who followed Thor's plight. "But I am not bit-

ter. I am thankful that Thor came to us, and that he did not leave this earth without knowing love."

Postma said that the shelter has had a standing fund for donations for animals that need extraordinary medical care. The fund has now been named in honor of

Thor's memory and those who fought on his behalf.

"Even though it can get quite expensive, these animals are worth it, and this money will make sure that they are given the quality care that they need and that they are cared for," Postma said.

Senior center move gathers support

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Snyder said that home delivered meals could be dropped off to seniors who live in apartments by the current senior center or busses could transport seniors if the center moves. She added that she would also explore serving satellite congregated meals at the current senior center if the center moves.

Commission on Aging officials will have to come back to county commissioners once the final results of feasibility studies are available.

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Grayling High School prepares for busy winter sports season

Girls basketball moves from fall to winter this year

■ Boys basketball, wrestling, and skiing to start official practices this week

Grayling High School's winter sports coaches, student-athletes, and administrators are gearing up for a busy 2007-2008 season. The girls basketball program started practicing last week and the boys basketball, wrestling, and skiing programs were scheduled to start their official practices on Monday, Nov. 12.

"Winter is going to be the busiest (season) of them all," said Tim Sanchez, athletic director for the Crawford AuSable School District. "Fifty-five percent of our sports take place in the winter."

The 2007-2008 season will feature the winter debut of girls basketball in Michigan high school sports. Due to a court ruling against the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) in a gender equity lawsuit, girls basketball moves from the fall season to winter this year and volleyball moves from the winter season to fall. The change in seasons puts girls and boys basketball both in the winter, resulting in a few scheduling adjustments from years past. During the first half of the season, the GHS JV and varsity girls basketball teams will play mostly on Wednesdays and Fridays, and the boys teams will play on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The teams will switch in the second half of the season, with the boys teams playing on Wednesdays and Fridays and the girls playing on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Rich Moffit returns as head coach of the GHS varsity boys basketball squad. Ryan Fritz, who coached the freshman team last year, will serve as a varsity assistant. Chris Kucharek returns as coach of the JV squad. LJ Mead, who coached the varsity girls basketball team at GHS for several seasons, is the new freshman boys basketball coach.

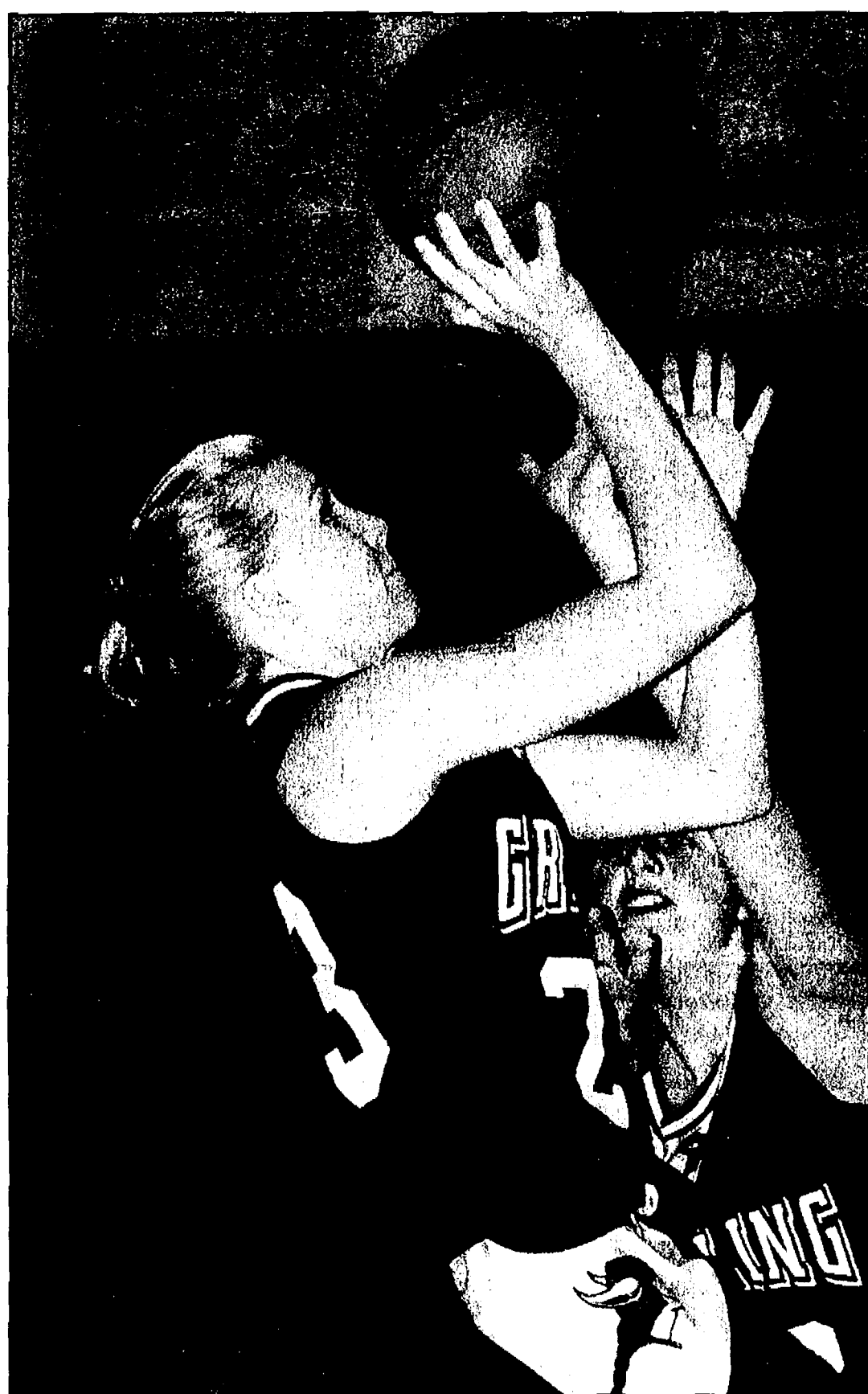
Kelly Sheehan replaces Mead as the new head coach of the GHS varsity girls basketball team and Craig Hofman is the new JV coach. Jenny Swander returns as coach of the freshman girls basketball squad.

In an effort to separate the district tournaments for boys and girls basketball, the girls will start their regular season one week earlier. The MHSAA set Monday, Nov. 5, as the first day for girls basketball practice, and the boys started on Monday, Nov. 12. District tournaments for girls basketball are set for Feb. 18-22, and the boys basketball district tournaments are scheduled for Feb. 25-29. Grayling High School will be hosting the District 63-B tournaments for both boys and girls basketball in 2008.

The GHS junior varsity and varsity girls basketball teams will open their 2007-2008 seasons with home games against the Roscommon Bucks on

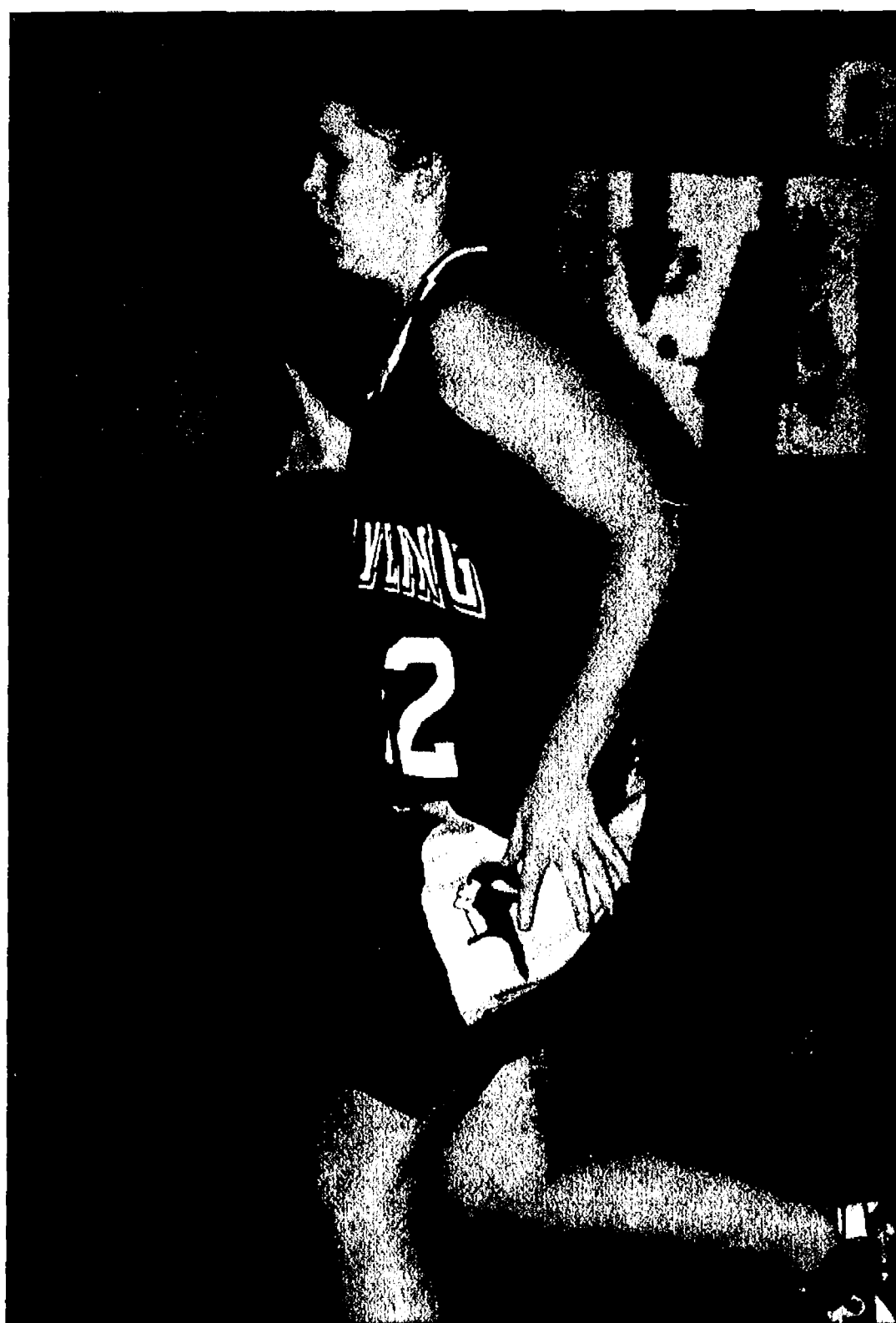
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Photos by Caleb Casey

(Left) Rachel Doremire, a senior, drives to the basket during a varsity girls basketball practice drill on Friday, Nov. 9. (Right) Alyssa Lewis, a junior, takes a free throw shot during practice last week. Girls basketball teams started official practices for the 2007-2008 season on Monday, Nov. 5. Boys basketball, wrestling, and ski teams started practicing on Monday, Nov. 12.



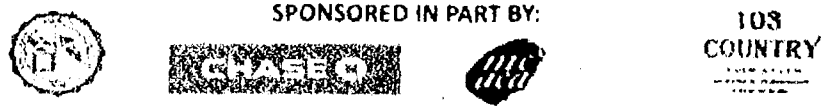
(Left) Laura Boylan, a junior, shoots a free throw at practice on Friday. (Right) Jessie Baker, a senior, dribbles the ball during last Friday's practice at Grayling High School.

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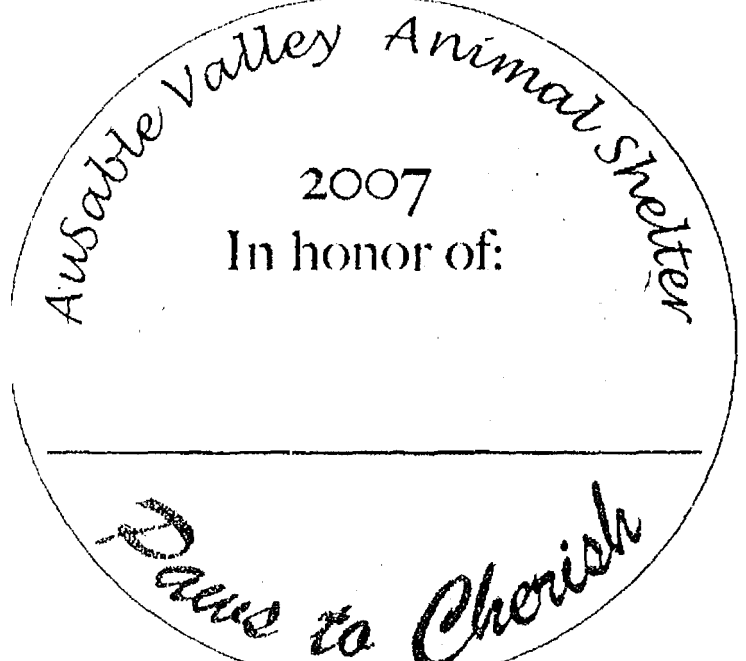


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Firearm deer season to start on Thursday

Hunters to compete for cash and prizes during annual two-day buck pole event

The first day of this year's firearm deer hunting season is Thursday, Nov. 15, and hunters who harvest a buck on one of the first two days of firearm season will have the opportunity to compete for cash and prizes in the 2007 Orangecoast Round-up - an annual two-day event that helps kick off firearm deer season in Grayling.

The Orangecoast Round-up, a competition sponsored by the Camp Grayling Conservation Club and hosted by Skip's Sport Shop, offers hunters an opportunity to display their deer at the buck pole at Skip's and win prizes in a variety of categories.

The grand prize of the 2007 Orangecoast Round-up is a scoped rifle. The rifle will be awarded to the hunter whose buck has the largest rack over the course of the two-day contest.

Daily prizes for this year's Orangecoast Round-up will include the following categories: first buck, heaviest buck, first woman hunter, youngest hunter, oldest hunter, and first 10 bucks. Daily winners in these categories will receive their choice of \$25 cash or a \$50 savings bond.

Also, all bucks after number 10 until the pole closes will net the hunter a \$10 cash prize.

Hunters must have an Orangecoast Round-up button to be eligible for prizes. Orangecoast Round-up buttons can be purchased at Skip's Sport Shop for \$2.

Bow hunting season, which began on Oct. 1, has picked up in recent days, said Missy Millikin of Skip's Sport Shop.



The first day of this year's firearm deer hunting season is Thursday, Nov. 15. Hunters who harvest a buck on one of the first two days of firearm season will have the opportunity to compete for cash and prizes in the 2007 Orangecoast Round-up at Skip's Sport Shop.

"The first half was pretty slow," Millikin said of the 2007 bow hunting season. "The last two weeks have been very good. They're seeing a lot of bucks and shooting a lot of bucks. Some people have said they're seeing four or five bucks a night."

"(The firearm deer season opener) should be good. The bucks are really starting to rut, so they should be running around," Millikin said. "Last year was good, a lot of big bucks, so I think it should be a good season."

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) also predicts a decent firearm season for deer hunters in northern Michigan. The Northeast Management Unit (NEMU), a 14-county area that includes Crawford and Roscommon, is expected to "enter the fall deer season with a very good deer population. Following an outstanding acorn crop in 2005, good fawn production and modest antlerless harvest in 2006, and a moderate 2007 winter, deer numbers are up noticeably.

The buck kill may not exceed the excellent harvest that occurred in 2006, but should be quite good," according to the DNR's 2007 Michigan Deer Hunting Prospects report.

One method the DNR uses to gather information on Michigan's deer herd is deer check stations open during bow season and firearm season at DNR field offices throughout the state.

"The information gathered at DNR deer check stations is used in population models that help biologists make recommendations for future deer seasons. Biologists age each animal, measure antler beams, and examine for disease. All of these observations are important to monitoring the overall health of the deer herd," states the DNR on its Web site. "As a gesture of appreciation, the DNR gives a Deer Management Cooperator patch to hunters who are willing to take the time to bring in their deer and help in this endeavor. You do not need to bring the

entire animal into a check station. Many hunters bring the head only to be checked, which provides biologists with the information they are seeking."

According to the DNR's Web site, the deer check station at the Grayling Field Office (1955 N. I-75 Business Loop) will be open weekdays from Nov. 15-30 (except for Nov. 22-23) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information on this deer check station, contact the DNR's Gaylord Operations Service Center at (989) 732-3541.

"There is a particular need for deer samples from Iosco, Ogemaw, Roscommon, and Crawford counties and hunters are urged to come to any DNR check station to submit heads for the TB surveillance effort. Slow but important progress is being made in the effort to control TB in deer and it is important for hunters to continue to observe baiting and feeding restrictions in the TB management areas," said Glen Matthews, NEMU supervisor.

Fire prevention tips for hunters

Hunting season is in full swing in northern lower Michigan. This is also the time when the ground is covered with leaves

and summer debris. Hunters are asked to keep their campfires small for cooking and warming purposes only and to never leave

their campfires unattended.

Unattended campfires are responsible for several wildfires every year. Even though we have had some days of rain, there is still little moisture in the ground. As the fallen leaves dry, we can easily find ourselves in a fall fire season.

Hunters are asked to be mindful of weather conditions, especially windy days, put their campfires out with water, lots of water, and to pack out what they pack in.

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KEVIN WESTCOTT

Group aims to lure women to hunt, fish

by Andrew Mutavdzija
Capital News Service

As deer-hunting season approaches, members of Camo and Lace are setting their sights on increasing female participation in outdoor activities.

The non-profit organization offers classes and sponsors events for women, including shooting handguns and shotguns, hunting, fishing, camping, hiking and ATVing.

Camo and Lace has members in Genesee, Lapeer and Oakland counties who travel all over Michigan for events.

The club also has a new up-north chapter, based in Gaylord, with about 20 members.

"We try to give women an outdoor experience that is noncompetitive and informative," said Laura Charles, president of the group, whose membership has grown to 73 since its founding in 2003.

Vic Ouellette of Gaylord, who first got involved with Camo and Lace by helping with hunter education classes, is a volunteer advisor to the new chapter.

"It's a really great thing for the girls in northern Michigan," he said. "They're only limited by

their own imagination."

Camo and Lace puts on a for-women-by-women hunter education class every fall and a women's workshop, with a variety of classes including archery, skeet-shooting and wild-game cooking, every spring at Williams Gun Sight and Outfitters in Davison.

Charles said the "spring expo is dedicated to giving a wide variety of classes for many interests women may have. We want to educate women so that they will encourage their children to get outdoors and enjoy the wonders of nature."

Erin McDonough, a resource policy specialist with Michigan United Conservation Clubs, said Camo and Lace isn't an affiliated club, but its mission "aligns with MUCC's statewide priority of getting more people in the outdoors."

Hunters, anglers and trappers have always paid for conservation, she said, because money from fish and game licenses go directly back into managing natural resources.

"Camo and Lace is an amazing example of a club that has taken that mission and been successful

in achieving results," McDonough said.

Camo and Lace recognizes that there is a growing number of single-woman households and a need to provide a venue in which women can be comfortable learning how to hunt and fish, she said. Arlene Minto of Davison, treasurer and a founding member of Camo and Lace, said she got involved in hunting because of her husband.

"He would go hunt up north and call me, and I'd tell him about all the deer I was seeing in our back yard and he'd tell me about all the deer he wasn't seeing up there," she said.

Minto's husband convinced her to try his sport. He gave her a gun, took her out shooting and she enjoyed it.

"But, I thought it'd be fun to be out with ladies," she said.

Minto and three other women put on an outdoor day event the first year and 12 women showed up. The next year, she said, 54 women came out.

Planned for this fall are a Women's Bow Weekend Oct. 19-21 in Prescott, a trip to see "Escanaba in Love," a hunting-themed play, at the Gem and

Century Theatre in Detroit on Nov. 1 and a pheasant hunt in Kingston Nov. 3, sponsored by WomanHunter.com. Also, an ice-fishing event in February is in the works.

Minto, Charles and Kelly Sheffer, a Camo and Lace board member from North Branch, teach hunter education classes.

"It's so fulfilling to see the kids get these big smiles on their faces," Minto said. "The hunter's ed part is near and dear to my heart."

Charles said being involved in the club has given her the "ability to hunt by myself, great new friends, knowledge and experience to do new things, trophies for the wall, confidence in life and a renewed love of the outdoors."

Sheffer said she volunteers with the group because of the effect it's had on her life.

"I know how it's changed my life, and I like to help change someone else's life by trying something new," she said.

Charles added: "Five years ago I didn't touch a firearm. Now I own a pistol, a rifle and a shotgun. My next purchase will be a muzzleloader."

Recreation plan: more hunting, fishing 'green'

by Andrew F. Mutavdzija
Capital News Service

Michigan's new state comprehensive outdoor recreation plan will include two new initiatives: the recruitment and retention of hunters and anglers and encouragement of "green" technology in outdoor recreation development.

SCORP (State Comprehensive Outdoor Resource Plan) is a federally mandated five-year plan for the acquisition of land and development of facilities for outdoor recreation.

Charles Nelson, a professor at Michigan State University, who has worked with the DNR since 1980, has inventoried the state's recreational facilities, and the public's demand for them, through surveys this summer.

For example, the state owns 4.5 million acres and has a 3.9 million-acre state forest system, second in size only to Alaska's,

Nelson said.

Walking, relaxing, fishing, hunting and camping were the five most important outdoor activities among those surveyed, he said.

Lisa McTiernan, grant coordinator with Department of Natural Resources (DNR), said recruitment and retention of hunters and anglers and green technology were chosen as the new focus points because they have been identified as priorities to recreation providers and Michigan residents.

Green technology has already been a goal for the DNR, and "communities have taken initiative themselves and have been putting it into their programs," she said.

"We're realizing it's something we want to formalize in the next five years," McTiernan said.

Dennis Muchmore, executive

director of Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC), said hunting and fishing directly benefit the state and license fees support conservation.

Muchmore said MUCC supports recruitment and retention initiatives, making the outdoors more accessible to users and mentorship programs that bring young and old hunters together.

"We don't believe in hiding the resources away, we believe in using them," Muchmore said.

The other goals in the 2008-12 plan are: conservation of natural resources; universal access; community recreation; improving state parks; improving state forest recreation; improving cooperation among recreation providers; and expanding and improving trails, including blueways - water trails and greenways - land trails.

Nelson will present SCORP and take public input at public

workshops around the state in Marquette, Roscommon, Grand Rapids, Detroit and Bay City in October.

"These are for the general public to comment on," he said. "We will be listening."

Nelson said he expects to get comments ranging from the extremely specific, such as typographical errors in the draft plan, to the broad, like a new direction the public would like to see the DNR take.

Nelson said over the past five years the state has received about \$12.7 million in federal funds through a grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

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KIRTLAND BASKETBALL

Freshman forward/center Whitney Bonham (Ewart) scored a game-high 29 points, but that wasn't enough to prevent the Kirtland Community College women's basketball team from dropping its second consecutive home game to start the 2007-08 season.

Kirtland (0-2 overall) struggled shooting the ball and committed 25 turnovers in falling to visiting Grand Rapids Community College, 77-63, at the McGregor Athletic Complex in Mio on Saturday, Nov. 10. The host Firebirds hit just 22 of 74 shots (30 percent) in the non-conference clash, while the winning Raiders (2-2 overall) connected on 25 of 54 (46 percent) of their attempts from the floor.

"We actually cut down on our turnovers," said Kirtland head coach Tom Ritter. "But our problem is scoring. We've got to put the ball in the basket."

Grand Rapids built a nine-point edge (39-30) at halftime, as the Raiders shot a blistering 61 percent (14 of 23). The visiting hoopsters also held an advantage at the free throw line, connecting on 7 of 12 free throws in the first half and 21 of 30 for the game. The Firebirds were 16 of 25 from the line.

"That alone beat us - again," Ritter said.

Besides leading all scorers, Bonham also pulled down a game-high 13 rebounds and had 1 steal. Her standout performance follows a 27-point, 11-rebound effort in Kirtland's season-opening loss (89-69) to Owens Community College at home on Nov. 3.

Freshman forward Kaylon Leslie (Whittemore-Prescott) was the only other Firebird to score in double digits, hitting for 12 points to go with 4 boards, 4

steals and 3 assists. Freshman forward/center Sarah Ostroski (Standish-Sterling) chipped in with 7 points, 10 rebounds, 1 assists and 1 steal.

Other contributors for the host Firebirds included: Brooke Robinson (Standish-Sterling) with 6 points, 3 boards, 6 steals and 2 assists; Natasha Dewald (AuGres) with 6 points, 2 rebounds and 1 steal; Jo'ell Cruse (Inland Lakes) with 2 points; Jessica Smith (Mio) with 1 point, 4 rebounds, 1 steal and 1 assist; and Christy Kowalski (Onaway) with 2 assists, 2 steals and 1 rebound.

Ritter said he may change tactics before the Firebirds visit the Raiders for a rematch on Friday, Nov. 16, in Grand Rapids.

Trailing by as many as 16 points early in the second half, Kirtland used full-court defensive pressure to cut the deficit in half.

"You're going to see more of that," Ritter said. "I can guarantee you that."

He added that he's been somewhat reluctant to use a full-court press earlier in games due to a lack of depth and having such a young team, with seven freshman on a roster of just nine players.

"We'll have to take our chances," Ritter said. "The girls loved it, so we're going to turn up the heat."

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T & T Fishing..... 28 - 12
GMH-NCC..... 28 - 12
Days Inn..... 22 - 18
Glen's Market..... 22 - 18
American Legion..... 17 - 23
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Woody Girls..... 15 - 25
Grayling Nurs.Center... 11 - 29
High Series: M. Starks, 521; V. Balms, 512; N. Glasslee, 495.
High Game: M. Starks, 201; A. D'Amour, 189; J. Leask, 185.

Thursday Morning Coffee

Casino Bums..... 16 - 8
Ladybugs..... 16 - 8
Snow Tops..... 15 - 9
Goofballs..... 14.5 - 9.5
K.I.P..... 11 - 13
R.E.M..... 8 - 16
Bill's Harem..... 8 - 16
Chatty Three..... 7.5 - 16.5
High Series Men: M. Brown, 507; K. Harris, 455; B. Holton, 454.
High Game Men: K. Harris, and M. Brown, 177; B. Holton, 171.
High Series Women: N. Glasslee, 523; I. Cosgray, 467; D. Miller, 460.
High Game Women: N. Glasslee, 177; D. Miller, 169; I. Cosgray, 166.

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Pittman Bld..... 48 - 22
Spikes..... 40 - 30
Medicine Shoppe..... 34 - 36
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Legion Lanes..... 22 - 48
High Series: D. Henning, S. Pittman and J. Helsel 644.
Game: S. Pittman, 285; J. Hunt, 269; P. Faustman, 246.

Friday Mixed Doubles

Miller Spillers..... 45 - 25
Bucket Brigade..... 41 - 29
L & L Hauling..... 39 - 31
Last Call..... 36 - 34
MMR..... 33 - 37
American Legion..... 30 - 40
Great Lakes Roofing..... 28 - 42
Forget About It..... 28 - 42
High Series Men: D. Wallace, 595; D. Burger, 552; P. Benardo, 543.
High Game Men: D. Wallace, 214; D. Burger, 207; D. Canfield, 202.
High Series Women: P. Younglove, 516; M. Cole, 513; J. Dent, 508.
High Game Women: P. Younglove, 196; L. Hanson, 190; M. Starks, 188.

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Derwich Ind..... 17 - 4

GADCO..... 17 - 4
Dragon Repair..... 14 - 7
Grayling Rest..... 12 - 9
West Side Diner..... 9 - 12
Moore's Auto..... 7 - 14
McLean's ACE..... 4 - 17
Otsego Lake Service..... 4 - 17
High Series: Larry Davis, 628; B. Gulick, 614; D. Henning, 590.
High Game: Larry Davis, 255; J. Rabideau and B. Gulick, 224.

Pioneer League

McDonald's..... 24 - 12
Grayling Rest..... 24 - 12
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Tim's Collision..... 18.5 - 17.5
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T.C. Lawncare..... 15 - 21
Spicy Bob's..... 11 - 25
High Series: M. Kroell, 536; J. Cousins, 519; B. LaMotte, 514.
High Game: B. LaMotte, 225; M. Kroell, 205; K. Moshier, 191.

Grayling Youth Peeewe

Team 3..... 7 - 2
Beggars..... 6 - 3
Team 6..... 6 - 3
Team 4..... 5 - 4
Strikers..... 4 - 5
Team 5..... 3 - 6
Team 8..... 3 - 6
Team 2..... 2 - 7
High Series Boys: D. Johnston, 202; Z. Pittman, 195; D. Richardson, 176.
High Game Boys: D. Johnston, 113; Z. Pittman, 111; D. Richardson, 92.
High Series Girls: M. Leslie, 181; E. Connoy, 172; K. Palmer, 157.
High Game Girls: M. Leslie, 109; E. Connoy, 94; C. Bonamie, 87.

Grayling Youth Juniors

No Name..... 7 - 2
Stikesters..... 7 - 2
Three Strikes..... 5 - 4
Gutter Girls..... 4 - 5
Strikers..... 3 - 6
Legion Ladies..... 3 - 6
Bye #1..... 0 - 9
Bye #2..... 0 - 9
High Series Boys: T. Piehl, 226; A. Perrin, 219; D. Labo, 217.
High Game Boys: T. Piehl, 141; A. Perrin, 129; D. Labo, 109.
High Series Girls: K. Vierling, 170; C. Prossor, 150; B. Johnston, 142.
High Game Girls: K. Vierling, 94; G. Smith, 93.

Grayling Youth Seniors

Team 2..... 8 - 4
Team 3..... 7 - 5
Team 1..... 5 - 3
Team 4..... 4 - 8
Team 5..... 4 - 0
High Series Boys: M. Hellebuyck, 395; W. Phipps, 348; K. Harris, 345.
High Game Boys: M. Holton, 151; M. Hellebuyck, 146; W. Phipps, 129.
High Series Girls: L. Johnson, 400; A. Peck, 358; K. Harris, 348.
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Grayling High School prepares for busy winter sports season

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Tuesday, Nov. 27, at 6 p.m. The Vikings play at Gaylord on Friday, Nov. 30, at 6 p.m.

The JV and varsity boys basketball teams will also host Roscommon in their season openers. The Vikings will play the Bucks on Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 6 p.m. The squads will play at Gaylord on Monday, Dec. 10, at 6 p.m.

Sanchez said he's had to spend a significant amount of time reworking the schedules for the freshman basketball teams recently due to a change caused by lack of freshman girls basketball teams in the Lake Michigan Conference. Grayling High School's athletic league.

Originally, the conference intended for the freshman boys and girls basketball teams to play on the same night; however, three league schools ended up not having freshman girls basketball teams, so the schedules had to be altered. The two freshman teams will play on the same night on some dates, they will play on the same night as their corresponding JV/varsity games at a different venue on other nights, they will play the first game of tripleheaders a few times, and some freshman games will be played on nights that include no other scheduled games.

"We had to redo almost all of the freshman basketball schedules," Sanchez said. "A side effect of that is the freshman girls team will have less games."

The GHS freshman girls basketball squad will open its 2007-2008 season with a game vs. Roscommon at 6 p.m. at Grayling Middle School on Tuesday, Nov. 27. The freshman boys team's season opener is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 3, at Elk Rapids.

The GHS wrestling team will be coached by Joe Ferrigan again this year. Ferrigan took a job in Gaylord and no longer teaches at GHS, but he will continue to coach the squad.

"The wrestling team is probably going to be strong," Sanchez said. "The kids know him (Ferrigan), they know what to expect. He's got his program established."

The wrestling team has a few meets scheduled specifically for its junior varsity wrestlers this year, including a tournament that Grayling will host in January.

The varsity wrestling team will open its 2007-2008 season with a meet at Gaylord on Thursday, Nov. 29, at 6 p.m.

The wrestling team begins its season based at Grayling Middle School, holding its practices and home meets at GMS. If construction of the new weight room at Grayling High School is completed this year, the team may move back to the high school. The high school's current weight room area would move to the new weight room, freeing up a spot for the wrestling team to practice. At this point, it is not known when the new weight room will be completed, so the squad may stay at the middle school this year.

The GHS ski team will be coached by Tim Gariglio this year, with last year's coach — Brad Wagner — serving as an assistant. Sanchez said Wagner, who teaches at GMS, is going to work with middle school skiers this year while helping coach the high school team.

"Tim is a great coach. Brad stepped down knowing that Tim was here to take over," Sanchez said.

The ski team's first scheduled meet is set for Jan. 3.

Sanchez, who is in his first year as athletic director, said he's been busy getting ready for the winter sports season.

"Every day is busy," he said. "There's a lot of little things to do. The day goes by quick."

Sanchez said he has two assistant athletic directors to help out this winter — Stan Forrester at the middle school and Scott Baker at the high school.

"(Stan)'s awesome. He's been



Samantha Schreiber dribbles the ball during a drill at varsity girls basketball practice last week.



Liz Dandy takes a free throw shot at last Friday's practice at GHS.

huge helping at the middle school. He makes things go smoothly there. Scott's helping with high school events," Sanchez said. "Dianne Tobin has helped tremendously. When the schedule gets changed, she takes care of it. Everyone in the office

has been real supportive, my first year, so that's been nice."

One of the challenges GHS faces this year is a cut in the school's athletic budget that resulted in a change in procedure for concession stands. Players and coaches are now manning

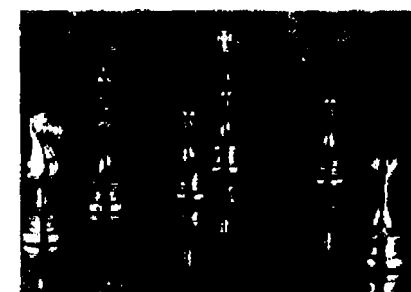
concession stands at GHS games to help their teams pay for their own transportation costs.

"Our concessions have been going well now that the teams are running that," Sanchez said. "The money goes to transportation and their program."

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For more information, please contact: Garon, Lucow, Miller, P.C., attention Michael J. Swogger, esq
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The mortgage will be foreclosed by a public sale of the property on Wednesday, December 19, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., at the front door of Crawford County Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 11 per cent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

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Date: November 8, 2007

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John Gay and Catherine Gay, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated May 31, 2005, and recorded on June 29, 2005 in Liber 676 on Page 93, and modified by Affidavit or Order received by and recorded, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for the C-BASS Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-MH1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Two And 72/100 Dollars (\$72,702.72), including interest at 7.2%

per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 19, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point on the Easterly Right of Way of the Michigan Central Railroad (MCRR) that is 570.56 feet North of the East-West 1/8 line of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 26, Town 28 North, Range 4 West Said Point of Beginning, North 89 degrees 12 minutes 53 seconds East along the North line of said Section 26, 512.80 feet and South 00 degrees 47 minutes 05 seconds West along the East line of the MCRR Right of Way 769.80 feet of the North 1/4 Corner of said Section 26, thence North 89 degrees, 37 39 seconds East parallel with the East-West 1/8 line of said Northeast 1/4 of said Section 26, 286.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 47 minutes 05 seconds parallel with Railroad Right of Way 142.64 feet; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 39 seconds West parallel with said East-West 1/8 line, 286.00 feet to said East Railroad Right of Way; thence North 00 degrees 47 minutes 05 seconds East along Railroad Right of Way 142.64 feet to Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 15, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC L 248.593.1312
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Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #171432F01
-15-22-29-6

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Edward B. Given, a married man and Cynthia Given, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 23, 2006, and recorded on June 27, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 133, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty-One And 18/100 Dollars (\$82,161.18), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 2, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 2, Sherwood Forest Subdivision and a 1/41 interest in Sherwood Park, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 15, 2007
For more information, please call:
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Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #171494F01
-15-22-29-6

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Heidi Larm, A Married Woman, as Her Sole and Separate Property and Darrell Glen Larm, Her Husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 14, 2006, and recorded on April 26, 2006 in Liber 681 on Page 176, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-One And 34/100 Dollars (\$83,251.34), including interest at 8.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 19, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 16, Plat of Grayling Manor, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan as Recorded in Liber 2, Page 10, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 15, 2007
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Irene Doughty, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 11, 2006, and recorded on September 19, 2006 in Liber 683 on Page 209, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Four Hundred One And 55/100 Dollars (\$65,401.55), including interest at 8.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 19, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 70 feet of Lot 1 and the Northeasterly 4 feet of Lot 12, Block 20, Original Plat of the Billage (now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 2, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 15, 2007
For more information, please call:
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
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-15-22-29-6

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jodi A. Modos, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 30, 2004, and recorded on July 1, 2004 in Liber 669 on Page 702, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Huntington National Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand One Hundred Forty-Eight And 01/100 Dollars (\$86,148.01), including interest at 8.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 19, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 17 and 18, Block 6, Karen Woods Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records, AND all that part of the following described parcel located West of Sweden Road and East of Lot 18: The Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of section 13, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, EXCEPTING that portion taken for Karen Woods Subdivision, and EXCEPTING parcel of land described as: Beginning at the Northeast corner of Block 4 of Karen Woods Subdivision: Thence North 89 degrees 56 Minutes East 307 feet to the 1/8 corner on section line

of Section 13; thence South on Section line 561.8 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes West 316 feet to a point 165 feet East of the Southeast corner of Block 5 of said Subdivision; thence North 0 degrees 33 minutes West to point of beginning

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 15, 2007
For more information, please call:
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31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #171185F01
-15-22-29-6

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PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by JAMES SCHWARTZ and STACEY SCHWARTZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO EMPIRE NATIONAL BANK, Mortgagee, dated July 8, 2000, and recorded on July 27, 2000, in Liber 513, on Page 203, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and Fifteen Cents (\$26,951.15), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on December 19, 2007

Said premises are situated in Township of GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan and described as:

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The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 8, 2007
THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO EMPIRE NATIONAL BANK Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
-15-22-29-6



ATTENTION: CRAWFORD COUNTY RESIDENTS

Are you currently HOMELESS and engaged in a homeless service program?
Do you need help finding housing or paying your rent?

The Housing Choice Voucher Program (previously termed Section 8), administered by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA), may be your answer.

HCV is a federally-funded rental subsidy program that assists families in paying their rent. If you are currently homeless and reside or work in Crawford County, your income falls within allowable limits, and the rental unit you choose to live in meets the Housing Quality Standards and rental limits set forth by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), MSHDA may be able to help pay your rent. Proof of residency in Crawford County is required (see requirements below).

MSHDA has implemented a Homeless Assistance Recovery Program (HARP) in Crawford County for applicants who can verify that they are homeless and currently engaged in a homeless service program. A Homeless Assistance Recovery Program waiting list is being established beginning **Friday, November 16, 2007** for all applicants who qualify. The waiting list for the HARP program will remain open indefinitely.

Applications can be picked up in person beginning **Friday, November 16, 2007** from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at:

Northeast Michigan Community Services Agency, Inc.
2375 Gordon Road
Alpena, MI 49707

If you have any questions regarding the HARP program or your eligibility please contact Melodie Linebaugh at (989) 356-3474 extension 206 or (866) 484-7077.

Please note: The regular Section 8 HCV Rental Assistance Program waiting list in Crawford County is open. We are currently accepting applications. If you wish to have an application mailed to you, please call (989) 275-7285 and ask to speak with Teresa Kelly. If you reach a recording device, be sure to leave your complete name and mailing address so that an application can be mailed to you.

Residency Documentation Requirements: You must provide a COPY of proof of residency in Crawford County along with your application. Acceptable documentation includes: a current lease, driver's license, state ID card, utility bill, social security printout or voter's registration card. If the applicant or household member works, or has been hired to work in Crawford County, please provide a COPY of proof of the work address or a letter from the employer verifying employment.

MSHDA is an Equal Opportunity Employer and an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Public Notice

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NOTICE

The Crawford AuSable School District is accepting applications for an appointment on the School Board of Education through June 2008.

DEADLINE:
Written application must be received by the Central Office (located inside the high school) Attn: Secretary of the Board no later than noon on Monday, November 19, 2007.

If any questions, please call Superintendent Joe Powers at 344-3750.

Crawford AuSable School District
1135 N. Old 27
Grayling, MI 49738

PUBLIC NOTICE

With the coming of recent snows, citizens are reminded that the City has an ordinance prohibiting parking on any street from 3:00 am to 6:00 am. City police officers will begin enforcing the ordinance on or about the 19th of November unless severe weather conditions dictate the need for earlier enforcement. Keeping the streets clear of vehicles will allow the City DPW to adequately plow them and make them safer.

Karl Schreiner
Chief of Police

LEGAL ACTION

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey A Greiser an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 2, 2005, and recorded on June 9, 2005 in Liber 675 on Page 856, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Four Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Six And 93/100 Dollars (\$104,846.93), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on November 28, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 6, Northwest Village No. 1, Township of South Branch Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, pages 47 and 48, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 25, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
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Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #168748F01

-25-1-8-15

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John M Keir II and Kindra K Keir, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated July 18, 2005, and recorded on August 2, 2005 in Liber 676 on Page 474, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Nine And 86/100 Dollars (\$82,409.86), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on November 28, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 5 and the West 25 feet of Lot 4, Clough's Highland Acres, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 65,

Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 25, 2007
For more information, please call:
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MORTGAGE SALE: - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas D. Slavens, A Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 22, 2004, and recorded on September 28, 2004 in Liber 671 on Page 687, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Three And 65/100 Dollars (\$163,153.65), including interest at 5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 12, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A; Part of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 7, Thence South 01 Degrees 21 Minutes West (Along the West 1/8 Line) 17.25 Feet to the Southeasterly Right of Way of M-72 and M-93; Thence North 45 Degrees 45 Minutes East (along said Right-of-Way) 340 Feet; Thence North 44 Degrees 21 Minutes East (along said Right-of-Way) 105.03 Feet; Thence South 50 Degrees 14 Minutes East 305.18 Feet to the Point of Beginning; Thence Continuing South 50 Degrees 14 Minutes East 331.10 Feet to the Left Bank of the Ausable River; Thence South 47 Degrees 30 Minutes West (along said River Bank)

100.90 Feet; Thence South 87 Degrees 15 Minutes West (along said River Bank) 165.00 Feet; Thence North 66 Degrees 06 Minutes West (along said River Bank) 115.40 Feet; Thence North 20 Degrees 32 Minutes East 257.50 Feet to the Point of Beginning. This Parcel Extends to the Waters Edge of the Ausable River with Full Riparian Rights thereto.

Also Subject to and use of: An 83 Foot Easement for Ingress and Egress, Lying 33 Feet on the Left of Northeasterly side and 50 Feet on the Right or Southwesterly side of a Line described as Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; Thence South 01 Degrees 21 Minutes West (Along the West 1/8 Line) 17.25 Feet to the Southeasterly Right-of-Way of M-72 and M-93; Thence North 45 Degrees 45 Minutes East (along said Right-of-Way) 340 feet; Thence North 44 Degrees 21 Minutes East (Along said Right-of-Way) 105.3 Feet to the Point of Beginning; Thence South 50 Degrees 14 Minutes East 390.18 Feet to the Point of Ending.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 8, 2007
For more information, please call:
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-8-15-22-29

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Bradley Varda, a married man and Samantha Varda, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated February 23, 2007, and recorded on February 27, 2007 in Liber 685 on Page 470, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Ninety-Three And 71/100 Dollars (\$66,093.71), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 12, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 8, Block 9, Hadley's Second Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 8, 2007
For more information, please call:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joel Avalos and Lisa G. Avalos, husband and wife, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 26, 2006 and recorded July 5, 2006 in Liber 682, Page 230, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Merrill Lynch Mortgage Investors Trust Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates Series 2006-OPT1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of

One Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Thirty-Six and 45/100 Dollars (\$137,036.45) including interest at 8.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on DECEMBER 12, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 158, Indian Glens of AuSable Unit Number 2, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 12, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: November 8, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000 File No. 221.6246
-8-15-22-29

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amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Raymond L Denno, original mortgagor(s), to The CIT-Group/Consumer Finance, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 22, 2000, and recorded on November 30, 2000 in Liber 523 on Page 450, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to HSBC Bank USA, as Trustee in Trust for Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust, Inc., Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2003-HE3 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Seven And 23/100 Dollars (\$42,497.23), including interest at 9.38% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 12, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 1 and 2, Block 4, of O.M. Barnes Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof Recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 05, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 8, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC D 248.593.1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #170366F01

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ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS

If you have unpaid 2005 or prior years property taxes, Crawford County will be publishing the NAMES OF ALL INTERESTED PARTIES in the Crawford County Avalanche for 3 consecutive weeks beginning in December, 2007.

To avoid publication, 2005 taxes must be paid in full by Friday, November 30, 2007. PAYMENTS MADE AFTER NOVEMBER 30, 2007 WILL NOT PREVENT PUBLICATION. Also, an additional \$75.00 fee will be added to any payment received after November 30, 2007.

Payments will be accepted by CASH, CERTIFIED CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR CREDIT CARD.

NO PERSONAL CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Office Hours
8:30 A.M. - Noon
1:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

Joe Wakeley
Crawford County Treasurer
989-344-3204
989-344-3231

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET

The Beaver Creek Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing during its Regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at 7:00 PM at the Township Hall. The Planning Commission will hear public comment on the following request:

Case #9-18
Petitioner: Request for Special Use Permit
Wellington Farm Park
Address: 6771 Military Road
Grayling, MI 49738
Property ID# 20-051-003-016-020
Request: The Petitioner is requesting a Special Use Permit for Historical, Educational and Recreation purposes.

The Public is encouraged to attend this hearing.

All documents are available for review at the Beaver Creek Township Offices, 8888 S. Grayling Road, Grayling, during normal working hours.

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to the Beaver Creek Township Planning Commission at the above address.

Sharon K. Hartman
Secretary to the Planning Commission

PUBLIC NOTICE

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FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



November 15, 1984 - The Grayling High School cast performing in The Great American Musical Disaster, under the direction of Howard Taylor are from L to R: (front) Damon Thayer, Lisa Latuszek, Dennis Mansfield, Debbie Schanz, Kevin Reynolds; (middle) Colette Petroskey, Sherry Hamilton, Erin Barrow, Julie Huss, Maria Perez, Kim Stockton, Amy Phillips, Lori Bentley, Ramona Stancil, Phyllis Wadsworth; (back) Brenda Prause, Nicole Weaver, Kathy Allen, Beth Bedard, Allan Morford, Jeff Martinez, Jeff McLaughlin, Mark Gust, Shelly Brooks, Debbie Wadsworth and Sue Generous.

23 Years Ago November 15, 1984

On Friday, Nov. 23, at dusk, the Grayling Promotional Association will be bringing Santa to town and the Christmas season will officially begin in Grayling. At the same time Santa arrives, thousands of tiny white lights will be turned on in many business places, township and county offices, schools and

the hospital. If things go according to plan, the lights will stretch from the I-75 business loop on the south side, out M-72 west, M-72 east, and Old 27 north.

A mock election by Grayling High School students held before Election Day, showed nearly the same results as the real election on Nov. 6. With 86 percent of the student body registering to vote and 70 percent of those voting,

338 students voted for Reagan and 58 voted for Mondale.

46 Years Ago November 16, 1961

A partnership to Michigan's Animal Land, located on US-27 between Grayling and Frederic, is now under construction in Florida, owners Thane Hendershot and James Ackron of Grayling announced. The new Animal Land is being constructed on a 64 acre site on highway A1A, three miles south of Marineland. The property is on the oceanside of the highway and has 2,644 foot frontage on the road. There is an existing man-made lake on the property and about 200 live animals will be exhibited.

The Grayling Sportsman's Club is very eager to acquire any unwanted deer hides from hunters who would be discarding them otherwise.

With the football gear stowed away until next fall, the Grayling basketballers, under head coach Bruce Smith, got workouts underway this week to face a 16 game schedule this winter. Coach Smith has four regulars returning, Sherm Neal, Tim Neal, Tom Wright, and Tom LaMotte. Other players are Chris Kroll, Walt Fallon, Jim Johnson, Bill File, Harvey Merithew, Bob Morris, Gary Russell and Jack Jones.

69 Years Ago November 17, 1938

George Mason, president of Nash-Kelvinator Corp., and D.B. Lee, retired capitalist, both of

Detroit, have purchased the property known as the Durant estate on the south branch of the AuSable. It includes 20,000 acres covering frontage on the AuSable from Chase Bridge to Smith Bridge, that is approximately 15 miles. Mr. Mason and Mr. Lee both own very fine cottages here.

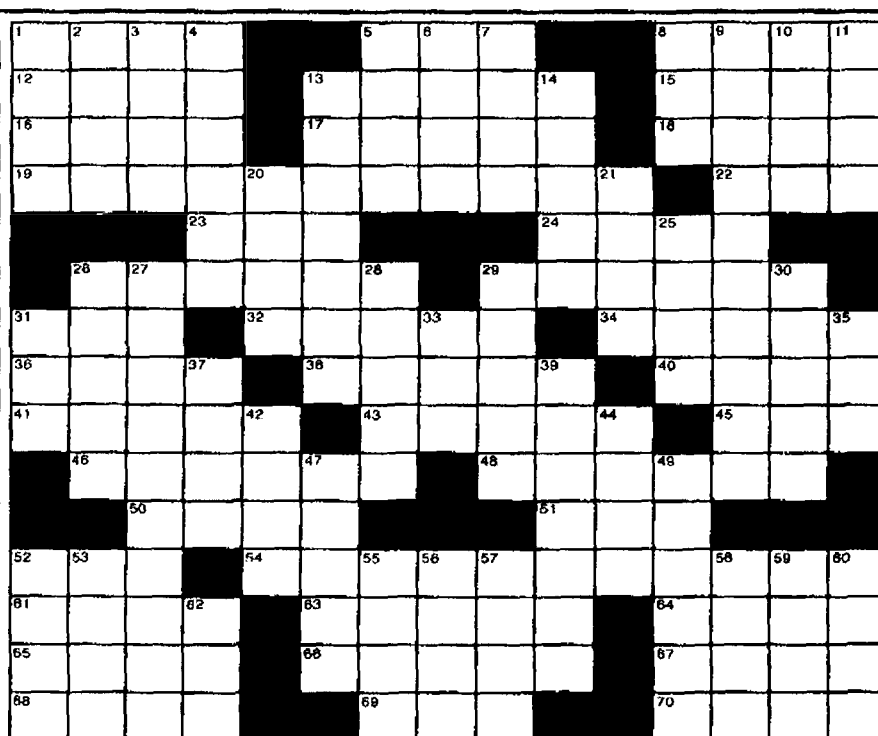
92 Years Ago November 18, 1915

Last week Thomas Cassidy arranged for the purchase of the Jorgenson block, now occupied by the Simpson grocery and the Burgess Billiard parlors. Mr. Cassidy says as soon as he can get possession he will remodel the place and install his baking department and also open up a high class grocery.

The Grayling Board of Trade is planning on having the biggest celebration in its history when the new hotel and school are complete, and the new chemical plant of the DuPont Co. is ready for operation, which will probably be some time in January, and the Bay City Board of Commerce plans to help the Grayling people in their celebration.

Isaac Lovely left Thursday for Wolverine, where he will remain for the winter and run a lumber camp for the Salling Hanson Co.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Sloping surface connecting two levels.
5. Title of a comic strip created by Harry Mace.
8. Garment worn by a bride.
12. Using speech rather than writing.
13. British unit of weight, usually equivalent to eight pounds.
15. Geographical region.
16. Sharp, projecting point.
17. Propelled a boat with oars.
18. Exclusively.
19. Native to the Canary Islands.
22. Acronym for Educational Testing Service.
23. To court.
24. Scandinavian god of thunder, rain and farming.
26. Reparation for loss, damage or injury of any kind.
28. Leader of Christian Heffernists.
31. Grow older.
32. Functional group in organic chemistry.
34. Fixture attached to a wall.
36. Opening in a wall, serving as an outlet for air, smoke or fumes.
38. Plants belonging to the genus Tulipa of the lily family.
40. Summit of Mount Pisgah where Moses viewed the Promised Land.
41. Provide with a permanent source of income.
43. Fairy in Disney's Sleeping Beauty.
45. Drink a beverage a little at a time.
46. Official list of duties imposed by a government on imports and exports.
48. Pass again.
50. Small room in a convent.
51. Acronym for Supersonic Transport.
52. Northern Chinese dynasties that ruled in A.D. 200-265 and A.D. 386-534.
54. Causing anxiety.
61. Something strong, hard and rigid.
63. American poet Ezra ...
64. Southernmost Great Lake.
65. Treat with contempt by ignoring.
68. Slay.
69. Stiff hair bristle.
70. Form of the female name Theresa.

Down

1. Acronym for Reserve Officers' Training Corps.
2. Melody.
3. Educational reformer Horace ...
4. Make happy.
5. ... vera, used to soothe sunburns.
6. Past participle of "mow."
7. French fashion designer ... Saint Laurent.
8. City in eastern Mali.
9. State of violence.
10. Beat soundly with a stick.
11. Negative votes.
13. Past tense of "cry" in Othello.
14. Wife of the 28th president of the United States.
20. Saying with mystical meaning, sometimes used to cast a spell.
21. Large ocean-going vessel propelled by sails.
25. Actor Ken ...
26. Person authorized to act on another's behalf.
27. False.
28. Cram one's stomach with food.
29. Preceding in time.
30. Part of either innominate bone that, with the corresponding part of the other, forms the front of the pelvis.
31. Abbreviation for avenue.
33. Extension usually at right angles to the end of a building.
35. Informal name for father.
37. Pulled apart in pieces.
39. Exercise control over.
42. Not tamed.
44. Usually vaulted semicircular or polygonal recess in a building, used especially at the end of choir in a church.
47. Turns over.
49. Bear witness to.
52. Past participle of wit.
53. Lake in Ireland.
55. Body of an organism contrasted with its germ cells.
56. British for one-pound sterling.
57. Until.
58. Acronym for Information and Real Estate Services.
59. Acronym for National Institute for Trial Advocacy.
60. Equipment for a particular occupation.
62. Acronym for the National Bureau of Standards.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

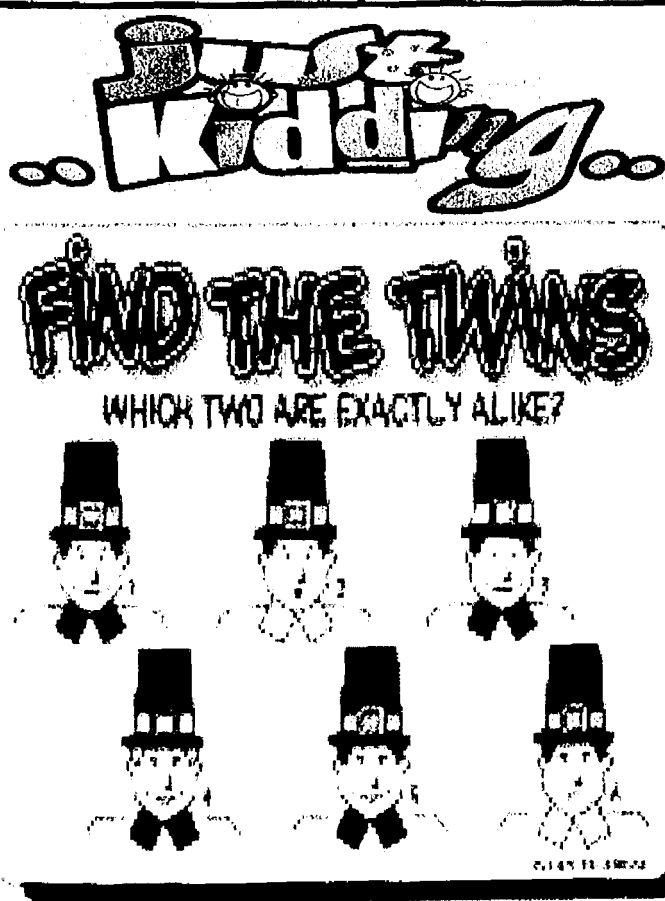
Sweet Potato & Apple Crunch Cobbler

- 2 cans of apple pie filling
- 2 cans of sliced apples
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar

- 2 tablespoons butter for coating the pan
- 1 6-ounce package sweet potato pancake mix
- 2 sticks of butter, thawed slightly

Preheat oven to 350° F. In a mixing bowl, empty the pie filling and sliced apples. Add the cinnamon and brown sugar and mix until incorporated. Next, coat a 9x16-inch pan with the 2 tablespoons of butter. In another mixing bowl, empty the sweet potato pancake mix and cut in the butter either by hand or with a dough cutter. When properly done, it should look like a bunch of small pebbles. Place the apple filling into the greased pan and top with the sweet potato pancake mix. Bake for 30 minutes at 350° F or until the top is browned and crispy.

Makes 8-10 Servings



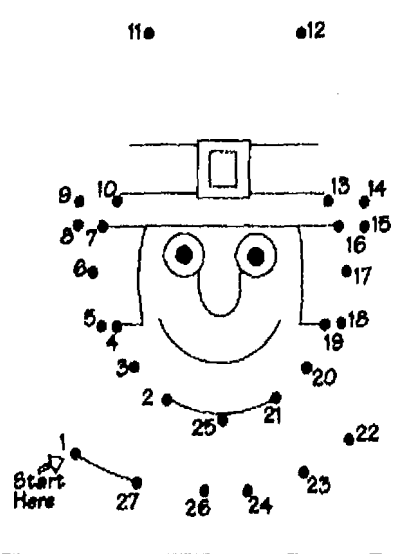
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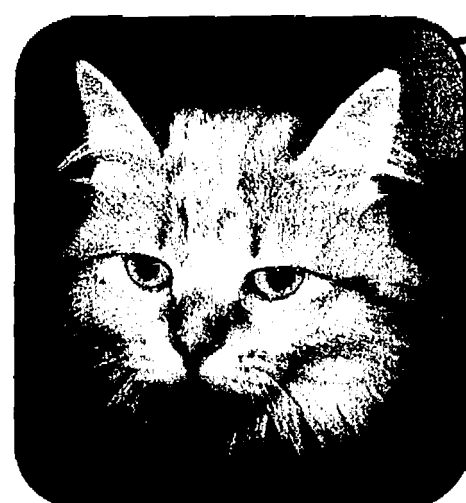
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| BUTTER | GRAVY | PUMPKIN PIE |
| CORN | GREEN BEANS | TURKEY |
| CRANBERRY | ICE CREAM | YAMS |

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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ERTBUTTERI
YDRESSINGN
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CRANBERRYI
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ADOPT A PET



Sunny D

Sunny D is a fantastic young cat. She has a wonderful disposition and a lovely orange and white coat. This cat is about 10 months old, spayed and vaccinated. All she needs now is a loving new home.

Puck

Puck is a 3 - 4 year old Beagle. He has an affectionate nature and is easy going. This is a very good looking hound that seems to do well with other dogs and has pretty fair manners. Puck is a charming guy who is all ready for a home.



The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is located at:

5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds

Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday thru Saturday, 10 to 12 pm on

Sundays and Holidays

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website www.assc.petfinder.com

HOROSCOPES

For the week of November 15, 2007



December 22- January 19

Easy, Capricorn. There is a simple solution that will put an end to all of the madness at home. Rest and relaxation are on tap for the weekend.



March 21- April 19

Disagreements over a certain matter continue to arise. Time to bring everyone together and squelch the fire once and for all. You can do it!



June 22- July 22

The baggage you are carrying has got to go. Look deep within and find the courage to forgive others and yourself. You pass a test with flying colors.



September 23- October 22

A family member starts to pull their own weight. Step aside and let them go, Libra. Who knows if this is permanent. A financial resolution is presented.



January 20- February 18

Credence is given to your story, much to your surprise. Thank your lucky stars and keep quiet from now on. A cry for help is headed your way. Do not ignore it.



April 20- May 20

You're the bomb this week, Taurus. You have all of the right moves at the right times. A rare glimpse into a coworker's life is a real eye-opener. You had no idea.



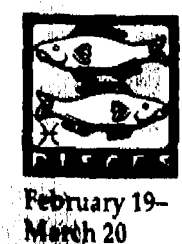
July 23- August 22

You're on top of the world this week, Leo. Time to let everyone who helped you along the way know how grateful you are. A party may be in order.



October 23- November 21

Unbeknownst to you, someone volunteers your talents. If you're up to the task, say yes. If not, say no. You don't want to produce poor work and make your buddy look bad.



February 19- March 20

A coworker is finally given their due. Be sure to offer your congratulations, Pisces, and they will return the favor very soon. A cooking catastrophe provides a laugh.



May 21- June 21

The urge to retreat inward is strong. Fight it with everything you've got. Matters at work require you to be social. A memo makes that clear.



August 23- September 22

Health and fitness go hand in hand. To attain a goal, you will have to keep that in mind and make changes accordingly. A bombshell hits work.



November 22- December 21

All right, Sagittarius! A young friend wises up. Keep mum about it, or you could cause them to fall into old habits. Quiet support is what they need now.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week

Date	H	L	Precip. Inches
11/7	34	29	0.02
11/8	35	28	0
11/9	38	26	0.05
11/10	46	26	0.01
11/11	44	38	0
11/12	50	23	0

Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 36 Low 27	High 37 Low 26	High 36 Low 25	High 35 Low 24	High 36 Low 26	High 40 Low 29
Snow Showers	Mostly Cloudy	Few Snow Showers	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Cloudy

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

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1. Real Estate

THREE BEDROOM RANCH extensively remodeled, turn key. 1 1/2 bath, garage. Location, location, location, 1056 Little John Ave. \$89,900. 989-348-2178. (-15/1)

1. Real Estate

2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06d/f/1)

1. Real Estate

COLDWELL BANKER CORNELL REALTY open house, 9366 Diamond Dr., St. Helen, November 18, 1:00 to 4:00 pm. 989-821-6348. (-15/1)

1. Real Estate

FOR SALE OR LEASE 5256 Old 27 N. Frederic. Newly renovated inside and out. 3 Br. \$99,000 or \$750 month. 348-4252 days or 348-5256 after 5 pm and weekends. (-8-15/1)

1. Real Estate

FOR SALE BY OWNER 2.65 acres, wooded land w/ electric and well. Many large red pines. Adjoining state land at end of private road. Very secluded, close to proposed theme park in Grayling. Excellent building site or hunting camp location. 989-329-3249. (-15-22-29-6/1)

1. Real Estate

Good Luck Hunters!
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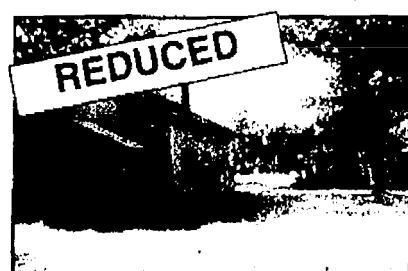


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 Limited Real Estate Appraisal
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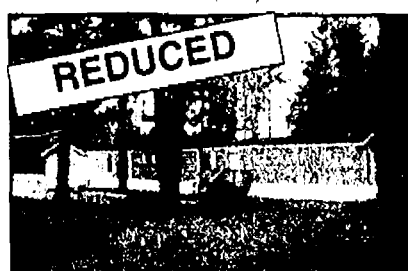
Finding the right home shouldn't be that hard



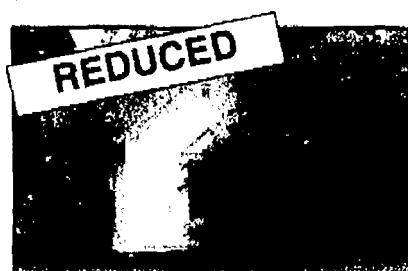
200' FRONTAGE ON KOLKA CREEK WITH 2.1 ACRES Full log 1 1/2 story with awesome opportunity to finish and save. Home features: vaulted beamed cathedral ceiling, open loft w/ spiral staircase, woodstove, 22x27 great room with two doorways, french doors, and picture window, master bedroom with doorwall onto deck. CH-2613 \$78,900



SPACIOUS FOUR BEDROOM HOME LOCATED ON M-33 IN MIO Location is great for home or business. 1,540 s.f., partial basement, large garage, three season porch, and larger upstairs bedroom. CH-2611 \$42,900



NEWER MOBILE HOME ON LAKE MARGRETHE 1,216 s.f., three bedrooms, and two baths. Spacious living room and kitchen. 24x24 attached garage, 8x8 front porch and cement sidewalk. Would make a great cabin or year around home. CH-2494 \$49,900



BANK REPOSSESSION. Great opportunity for a fixer upper! 1,100 s.f. home located in the Village or Kalkaska. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, full basement, and 18 x 32 garage. Close to schools, hospital, and shopping. CH-2607 \$24,900

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RECREATIONAL ENTHUSIAST 3 to 4 bedrooms with 2 baths. Knotty Pine tongue and groove. Security system. Detached 26 x 30 finished heated garage with 3 garage doors for easy in and out for snowmobiles. Home is furnished. Snowmobile out your door to state land and Blue Bear Trails. Secluded setting on 10 w/ acres adjoining State Land to the East. CS-2458 \$159,000



BEAUTIFUL CEDAR SIDED HOME 1.5 acres. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths with knotty pine tongue and groove and drywall interior. Ceramic tile floors in kitchen, dining, foyer and bath. Kitchen offers hickory cabinets, Viking cook top, Central air. 24x40 pole barn. Large deck. Walking distance to Manistee River. CS-2548 \$167,500



WELL MAINTAINED HOME ON 5 ACRES WITH FULL BASEMENT AND 20X40 POLE BARN 2 bedrooms. 1 1/2 bath home offers 1,232 sq. ft. with full basement. Beautiful hickory kitchen cabinets offers 2 lazy susans and deep drawers. Kohler kitchen sink, snack bar seats 4. Open floor plan with cathedral ceiling in living room, dining room and kitchen. Gas fireplace, all appliances included. Andersen crank out windows, solid birch interior doors, large vinyl deck. Beautifully landscaped. CS-2547 \$121,900



NICE BUILDING SITE WITH BEAUTIFUL HARDWOODS. Paved county maintained road with 1000 feet of frontage. Nice mixture of hardwoods. Rolling terrain, and adjacent electricity. Close to State land and snowmobile Trails. CS-2563 \$23,500.



100' FRONTAGE ON BEAUTIFUL LAKE MARGRETHE Open floor plan with cathedral ceiling and beautiful brick fireplace for those cozy evenings. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths offers 2,053 sq. ft. Wet bar. Snack bar. Master suite offers large walk-in closet and sunken tub with separate shower. Interior offers cedar and drywall. New roof on house and garage. Walk-out patio doors onto large deck. Paver sidewalks. Sprinkler system. 2 car detached garage. Black top driveway. Beautifully landscaped. CS-2551 \$549,000



ATTENTION TROUT FISHERMAN!! 81' FRONTAGE ON BIG CREEK. Very affordable four bedroom full cedar cottage, 936 s.f. with full walk out basement. Vaulted-beamed-cedar ceiling with trapezoid windows on two sides. 8x40 deck overlooking Big Creek. Warbler's Association within 300 ft. amenities include: volleyball court, club house, swimming pool, and fishing pond for kids. CH-2513 \$94,900

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You have to take a look, to truly appreciate how nice it is! Completely dry walled with a 16 x 26 living room addition w/ cathedral ceilings, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car attached garage, air conditioned, black foundation, metal roof, 4 zone sprinkler system, & more! #5852 \$65,900



Neat as a pin, 2 bedroom, 1 bath mobile home on 1-1/2 lots in Grayling Mobile Estates. Property features new floor covering, landscaping, concrete driveway, covered porch & 2 car garage. Priced to SELL! #5718 \$49,900



Country setting on 4 lots in Warbler's #2. Four bedrooms, large master suite, 2 baths, skylights, great landscaping and decks. 24x32 pole barn and wood storage shed. #5853 \$89,900



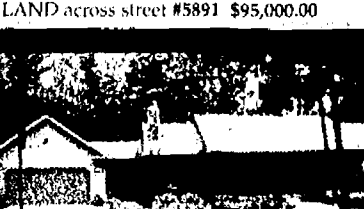
Sparkling interior in this roomy 3 bedroom home. Family room addition, bright kitchen w/ snack bar, extra insulation throughout, huge deck, carport, 24x32 heated pole barn, just minutes to Higgins Lake, Lake Margrethe, Fox Run, & More! STATE LAND across street #5891 \$95,000.00



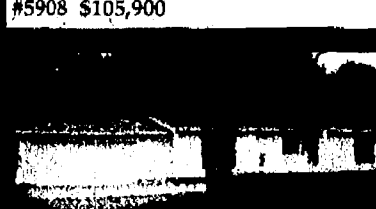
Three bedroom, two bath, 2.5 car garage. Manistee River Woods subdivision; backs up to open space & you share Manistee River frontage! Home shows brand new wood floors in kitchen, dining & front entrance. #5908 \$105,900



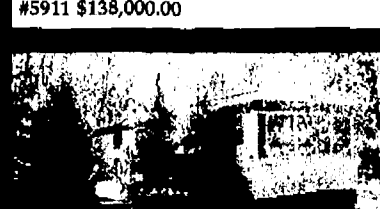
Secluded feeling on a nicely landscaped parcel over an acre in size, & just a mile out of town! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, living & family rooms, fenced yard, garden area, large deck, workshop AND a full second level to the garage! #5911 \$138,000.00



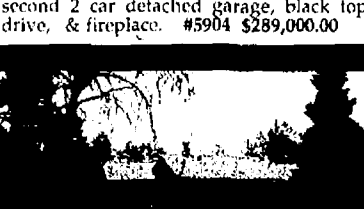
Beautiful wooded setting w/ curb appeal galore! Custom home has 3,500 square feet, ceramic tiled kitchen, master suite w/ hardwood floors & large walk-in shower. Also, weight room, office, den, game room, & family room, generator back-up, second 2 car detached garage, black top drive, & fireplace. #5914 \$289,000.00



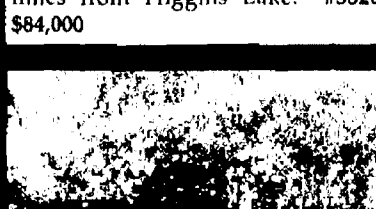
2 bedroom, 2 bath home, only lived in 3 months. 1188 square feet, vaulted ceilings, fireplace, 2 car attached garage in nice small subdivision, 2 miles from Higgins Lake. #5826 \$84,000



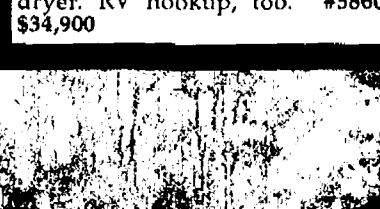
Squeaky clean 2 bedroom, mobile home on a nice wooded parcel. Air conditioner, bay window, large deck, 18x22 car port, 2 sheds, range, microwave, washer and dryer. RV hookup, too. #5860 \$34,900



Cute 3 bedroom 1 bath home/cottage on 2 acres. Features 2 additional out buildings, fire pit and attached garage. Property located just 6 miles from town and 1/2 mile from Ausable River. #5910 \$66,900



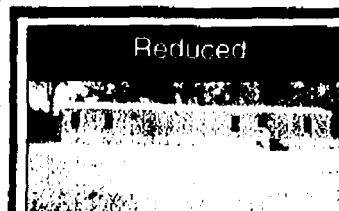
This home features 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths and large loft for additional living space. Attached large 2 car garage with second floor, fenced area in backyard, property adjoins state land and is just over 3 acres. #5882 \$129,900



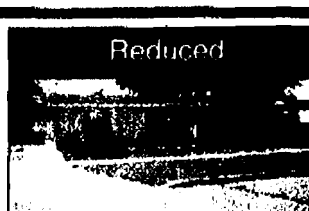
Secluded but easy access, beautiful 10 square acres of property, plus beautiful home with 3 bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths with over 2,000 s.f. of living space, enclosed large porch, attached garage. Must See!! #5711 \$198,900

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Reduced
 Completely re-done inside. New carpet, new bath, oak cabinets, fresh paint, immediate possession. Only a couple of miles from Ausable River-catch and release. #250423 \$45,000



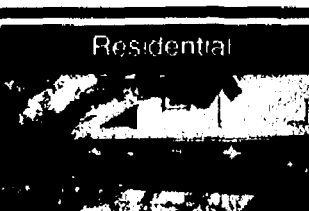
Reduced
 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, well taken care of has a newer 18 X 24 garage with lots of storage-Newer concrete drive and approach-Sunsetter Awning for bright sunny days, back yard is fenced in. Has tie downs on foundation. #251163 \$74,500



Reduced
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Residential
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2. For Rent

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3. Employment

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LOOKING FOR RESPONSIBLE ADULT to watch my infant in my home in Frederic, Monday through Saturday 8 am to 6:30 pm. Must have own transportation, call 989-745-4783. (-15/3)

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Mercy Home Care and Mercy Hospice is seeking a Full Time Hospice Team Leader who will be located in the Grayling and Houghton Lake offices. This person must be a graduate of an approved Nursing Education program, Bachelors in Nursing preferred, and have a current Registered Nurse License for the state of Michigan. Two years or more of Home Healthcare experience required. Must have a current Drivers License and reliable transportation. Proficiency in computers is a plus. Candidate must have the ability to consistently demonstrate a commitment to the mission and Organizational Code of ethics.

Please fax resume to:
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989-348-0047

For a confidential appointment or interview, please call:
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Email your resume to: lakeb@trinity-health.org

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3. Employment

FULL AND PART TIME PARAMEDIC positions are available at Tri-Township EMS with flexible scheduling. Call 989-785-4841 for further info. (-15-22-29/3)

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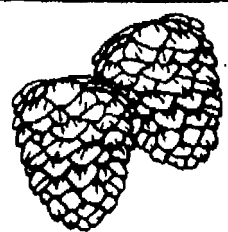
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5. For Sale

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SPORTSMAN AUCTION, November 17, 10 a.m. Perry Creek & M-33, Mio. Rittenhouse & Habitat furniture; clocks; showcases; Mills gambling pinball machine; sportsman; guns; boat; Polaris quad; 1976 Elcamino; Farmall tractor; coins & more. View online or call. Lets Talk Auction Company. 989-848-5151. www.LetsTalkAuction.com. (-15/8)

3. Employment

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GIRL SCOUT COOKIES AVAILABLE November 14, 3:30-6 p.m., Milltown Feed and Lawn. (-15/8)

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SIMONS VETERINARY CLINIC will be holding a shot clinic at the Grayling Animal Shelter on Nov. 17 from 9 a.m. till noon. Call 231-584-3500 for an appointment. (-15/8)

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